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By Henry Stanhope

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The

2,500 men

Defence Correspondent

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ecutely in regiments of the

Royal Artillery and of the Royal Armoured Corps, in

which the number of tanks has

been increased by more than 50 per cent while the number

of men has gone down. The

Royal Engineers, Royal Signals

and Royal Electrical and

Mechanical Engineers are also

affected. One officer spoke of

men doing a 70-hour week to

defence regiments, a Rarier

missile team which needs

seven men in wartime is mak-

ing do with only five, which

allows little opportunity for men to be away on courses or

meet the extra workload. In Royal Artillery

### Rhodesians claim they killed 1,200 guerrillas in Mozambique raids

have denied reports that women and children were killed deliberately during raids by security forces on two guerrilla camps in Mozambique last week. In the

first confirmation of the raids, military headquarters said that more than 1,200 guerrillas had been killed and one Rhodesian soldier had died. There was no contact with Mozambican forces

### Deaths of children 'regrettable'

From Frederick Cleary Salisbury, Nov 28

News agency reports that the Rhodesian security forces deli-beratetly killed women and children during raids last week on two guerrilla camps in Mozambique were denied to-Military headquarters earlier confirmed that the raids had taken place and said that more than 1,200 guerrillas had been killed. Rhodesian casualties whiter soldier killed and eight

Denying the deliberate killing of women and children, one dovernment source said: The wo camps were clearly defined as terrorist military bases and is such were attacked by our forces. If wemen and children were in fact in the camps and eare killed it is regregable. flut we are at war and civilians, urricularly women and child-in, should not be in such

Rhodesia's most successful of the five-year war. The forces first struck last Wednesday at the main operational head-quarters of the Zimbabwe African National Liberation Armyn Maconal Elbergion Army, which supports Mr Robert Mugabe, in an area 55 miles inside Mozambique and about 12 miles north of the town

Chimoio, Mozambique, Nov 28 Mozambican soldiers buried nearly 100 chikiren, aged between 11 and 14, in a mass grave 18 miles from here on

Saturday. They were among the hundreds of Zimbabweans

tilled in the Rhodesian air-

borne strike that destroyed a guerrilla base of Zaon, the wing of the Patriotic Front led by Mr Robert Mugabe.

About 2,500 people, many of them women, were in the camp at the time of the attack.

Because of the poor com-

extent of the action is only now

becoming clear. Even in Chimoio (formerly Vila Pery).

which lies in full view of the

camp, details are only now becoming known Wounded Zimbabweans

(Rhodesian nationalists) are

still wandering out of the bush

into Chimoio and by yesterday abour 600 had been treated at the town's small hospital while

another 70 more severely wounded had been evacuated to

Beira.

I arrived in Chimoio on the morning of the attack—last Wadnesday. The town is slightly elevated from the surrounding flat bush country, and from its streets the sound of aircraft and the crunch of bombing could be heard, Plumes of smake rose into the air over

smoke rose into the air over

Hunter fighters, Canberra

From Derek Ingran

Thursday. No contact was made with Mozambique troops.

The second strike was made on Saturday, against the Tembue base camp, about 125 miles from the border and north-east of the Babora Bassa dam. Again of the Babora Bassa dam. Again, there was no contact with Mozambican forces and all Rhodesian troops and aircraft were safely back inside Rhodesia by 3 pm on Sunday. The military communiqué said the raids were made "in the interests of self defence and the aims of the ground and air attacks were all successfully achieved."

achieved."
Official figures put the guerrilla deaths at 1,200, but unofficial estimates have been as high as 2,000. Many others were wounded and large quantities of weapons, vehicles, ammuni-tion, fuel, buildings and docu-

ments were destroyed. ments were destroyed.

Mr Roger Hawkins, the War Minister, said the raids had been made because there had been a big buildup of guerrilla forces and increased guerrilla incursions into Rhodesia. He described the operation as "an outstanding success". He said Rhodesia had been aware for some time of a considerable increase in trained guerrillas at base camps in Mozambique of Mr Mugabe's forces.

Eyewitness tells of airborne attack

on the ground overnight.

The strike was in an area

camps—the two main ones being a military camp for about

2,500 guerrillas and a refugee camp about 35 miles away at

Doeroi. The refugee camp was not rouched: its 18,000 inhabi-

on instructions from their commenders. But the guerrilla

camp was wrecked.

The fact that the refugee camp was left alone may indicate that the Smith regime has learnt that mass killing of

civilians such as took place in the strike at Nyazonia last year, does it great harm internation-

The Chimolo strike appears

attack by the Rhodesians in

recent months. Reports say that about 500 guerrillas were killed

two months ago in a camp destroyed in the Vumba moun-

tains.
This new attack poses ques-

This new attack poses questions about the lack of protection and organization of the Zamu guerrilias, for long believed to be less well run than Mr Nkomo's ermy.

The camp seems to have been a sitting duck. It had only one anti-aircraft gun and one machine gun. Survivors said they had not been told how to cope with an attack and they

cope with an attack and they

were taken totally by surprise.

No trenches had been dug.

The town of Chimoio remained calm throughout and Rhodesian aircraft avoided flying over it.

When the attack started, the

that terrorist incursions from Mazembique into Rhodesia were increasing and that as usual their attacks were being directed mainly at black civilians in the tribal trust lands",

Mr Hawkins continued "During the past two months more than 100 black civilians have been murdered by terrorists." Accordingly, it was essential to take action in selfdefence in the interests of safe guarding the lives of Yall Rhodesians and to protect national integrity.

He said it had not been anticipated that any contact would be made with Mozambican forces in either of the two raids and this had proved to be the case. He also con-gratulated the Rhodesian secur-ity forces on their planning and execution of the raids.

Coming as they do just be-fore constitutional talks in Salisbury—probably later this week—the raids have boosted Rhodesian morale and in turn placed Mr Smith, the Prime Minister, in a powerful position at the conference table. He will be able to state unquestionably that he has military strength and has not been driven to find an internal settlement because of any weakness on the battle-field.

told them to go back into their houses and offices and to carry

on their daily routine as usual.

When I arrived about five hours after the start of the attack the

only abnormal feature was the

number of troops on duty in the streets and at key points.

The Mozambican Army coped with the emergency with impressive efficiency, even with a touch of nonchalance. However,

towards the end of the second

day of the attack Mozambican patrols came under attack from

Rhodesian aircraft as the

Mr Ngarife Mutombensira a guerrilla, remembered the

quickly except to run away. Continued on page 6, col 5

inched forward to the camp to find out what had happened

BAOR sources say the shortages would not be felt so badly in wartime, because many of the administrative functions involved n running a peacetime barracks would be dropped. However, many units now need en additional 30 men to perform all the necessary One officer explained: "We

are down to the bare min-imum. We simply have no fat when anyone is away."

Ironically, BAOR's overall size was left untouched at 55,000 after the defence cuts,

because this is the minimum that Britain is committed to maintain. It is the rise in the number of weapons in he "teeth" arms regiments that has caused the present crisi-

Ideally, the Army would like to see an additional 2,500 men under the increases in public spending expected from the Government next spring. The Ministry of Defence will be disappointed if it does not receive its share.

They had to advance warily because of mines the Rho-desians had laid. An alternative would be to find more men from Arms more men from Army The sequence of events on units in Britain and elsewhere, but these are also "down to morning of the attack seems to have been as follows. At about 7.30 an the men in the camp were beginning their routine drilling and bayonet practice. Aircraft are seldom heard in the area. Civil aircraft and the Museumber area is the bone" and such a course would be unpopular wim would be unpopular with United Kingdom Land Forces headquarters near Salisbury. Another difficulty is that in-creasing the size of BAOR avoid the Mugamberi zone, in which the camp is situated, and would mean a rise in Britain's foreign exchange costs, which would be still more unpopular when a jet came over, the men thought it was a stray airliner. But when it dived low and others followed and began drop-ping bombs, everyone knew

with the Treasury.

BAOR, therefore, might have to lose some of the troops from its newly formed 5th Field Force, the infantry formation which in wartime would serve in what is called the Eart Combat Zone behind the Rear Combat Zone behind the four armoured divisions of broken arm in splints, he told me: "Within a few seconds planes were moving about in the air and we were all scared. We couldn't think what to do the 1st British Corps.
However, the feeling m
BAOR is that, come what may,

the armoured and artillery onits of the 1st Corps, where the overstretch is being felt most, must be strengthened.



The traditional Christmas tree, 70ft high, presented by the people of Oslo, after it was erected in Trafalgar Square yesterday.

### Grunwick strikers are near the bitter end

By Robert Parker

The dispute at the Grunwick film processing lamoratorits, in north-west London, appears to be virtually over. The strikers are talking about the best way to pull out.

It has been decided that there is no point in further mass picketing, and there is little hope of any other tactics bring-

Ing victory.

The strike committee thinks there are only two faint possibilities of success. One is a ruling by the House of Lords in favour of recognition by Grunwick of the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff (Apex). The second is that members of other unions can be persuaded to cut off services such as electo cut off services such as elec-tricity and postal deliveries un-

At the end of last year the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) recommended, after a ballot, that Apex should be recognized. But Acas had not been allowed in the factory, and in consequence only the strikers had been bal-loted. Grunwick contested the recommendation. The matter Court, which found in favour of Acas and the Court of Appeal, which reverted that de-cision. Acas appealed to the Lords, and a ruling is expected

told the eighty strikers that he is optimistic that the case will go their way, they feel that even so he would be unable to get them relatited. They were dismissed after walking out in August last year. It is thought that Apex may try to find other jobs for the strikers and content itself with recognition inside Grunwick.

If the case in the Lords soes

If the case in the Lords goes against Acas even that com-promise is unlikely. Mr Grantham, perhaps preparing himself for that eventuality, last week met Acts to try to arrange a second ballot of the Gruswick workforce on union recognition

There is little chance of getting services cut off. Last week the TUC General Council de-cided in effect that no action could be taken. The strikes

are bitter about lack of action by Apex and the TUC. The strikers feel that the union is not on their side. That feeling was reinforced by the suspension of their chairman and secretary for four weeks, together with four hunger-strikers who were staging a protest outside TUC head-quarters in order to draw atten-

The strike committee has decided that it will not allow the dispute to die a slow death. If it becomes apparent that the two objectives of reinstatement and union recognition are unattrinable, a press conference will be held to de-

### Although Mr Roy Grantism, conference will be held to ( general secretary of Apex, hes clare the dispute at an end. Thatcher visit to Belgrade

Mrs Thatcher, the Opposition leader, is to make her post-posed visit to Belgrade next wekend. The visit was re-arranged because of President Tim's illness, and Mrs Thatcher

be allowed to conclude while Soviet citizens monitoring the observance of the accords are held in joil, will also meat the British delegation to the con-

ference.
She is being accompanied by is now assured of a meeting with the Yugoslav leader.

Mrs Thatcher, who has in van sought assurances from Mr Callaghan, the Prime Minister, that the Beigrade review conference

Terence.

She is being accompanied by Sir Fitzroy Maclan, who commanded the British military mission to Marshal Tito's partisens during the Second World the Beigrade review conference

of the Helsinki accords will not

### Mr Callaghan resists Labour pressure to withdraw EEC poll Bill

Rejecting left-wing protests about the Government's handling of the European Direct-Elections Bill, Mr Callaghan blundly told a joint meeting of the Cabinet and the party's national executive yesterday that the Government would not withdraw the Bill.

To do so, he said, would be to break his personal word to European leaders and mean go-ing back on an international

He also said that in the free to the European Parliament he would vote for the regional list system of proportional repre-sentation.

After the meeting, held at 10 Downing Street, the embattled positions of the national execurive, representing the party conference's opposition to the elec-tions and a divided Government wanting to get the Bill through, seemed to have changed hardly

The Prime Minister proposed that there should be a joint Cabinet-NEC working party that would produce a statement about the reform of the EEC on the cabinet have been statement about the reform of the EEC on the cabinet are statement. which both party and Govern-ment could agree. That would then be included in the party's manifesto ar the next general

But, as Mr Rotald Hayward, general secretary of the party, pointed out later, the first task of the NEC when it meets on December 14 will be to decide whether the party will comest the direct elections if the Bill, without a majority of Labour without a majority of Labour MPs voting for it, passes through Parliament.

That issue, rather than the setting up of the joint working party, appeared to be the one bothering him. "We could say that we will not fight", he said.

worlds.

"If we were to stand aside there would be a ragbag of politicians who would fight. Some would be former members of the party who would have organizations to support them financially, with people work for them.

to work for them.

We would be on the side-lines and this party would find itself split between European independent Labour and the

independent Labour and the Labour Party as you and I know it. Surely common sense has got to prevail somewhere? "

There was obviously no prospect of the Government withdrawing the Bill after what the Prime Minister had said; if the NEC decided to fight the elections, the party could speedily make arrangement for the selecmake arrangement for the selec-tion of candidates and so on. There was no list of candidates

wet.

With rumours that the salaries are likely to be between £20,000 and £25,000 there will shortage of applinot be a shortage of appli-casts", he forecast.

Mr Hayward said that he and Mr Reginald Underhill, the national agent, had recom-mended that the European elections should be held on the same day as the next general election; "and that will not be next May", be added.

"We propose such a course because we think there will be a very low poll for the European elections. As I go around the country I do not see it exactly setting people alight.

"If the polling were on the same day as the general election there would be a better chance of getting a good turnout". The electors would be able to vote for Westminster and also for their European candidate.

### Firemen's leaders at No 10 today

Labour Reporter

The Prime Minister will meet the Fire Brigades Union executive at 10 Downing Street this morning as the firemen's strike enters its fifteenth day. There were no signs that the meeting, sought yesterday by the union, will open the way to an early settlement on the firemen's 30 per cent pay claim.

Mr Terence Parry, the union's general secretary, said yesterday's executive meeting which was adjourned until today: "This does not mean anything other than that we are going to see the Prime Minister m discuss the dispute with him."

The talks with Mr Cellaghan will include all 16 rank-and-file together with Mr Parry and the union's other four national

Government officials have continued to emphasize that the Prime Minister has no intention of authorizing any immediate pay offer above the 10 per cent officered by the local authority employers. Union executive members

reported at yesterday's London meeting that there had been no significant, breaks in the

solidarity of the 30,000 full-Mr arry said that nearly a million signatures collected from th sublic had been handed in at Downing Street during the demonstration organized by the mion's London region. He est-mated that "several million" people throughout the country has signed petitions in support

of the action. Our Political Editor writes: The Our Political Editor writes: The Prime Minister responded with alacrity last night to the firemen's request for a meeting. It will be the first time he has met any of the union executive since the strike began and the first time he has decided, or here streams to the property of the pr been asked, to intervene in a national strike,

Mr Rees Home Secretary, will also be at moday's meeting. The Prime Minister was apparently surprised by the telephoned request from Mr Pany, which was peceived by a private secretary. It was con-veyed to Mr Callaghan at a private meeting with Mr Steel, the Liberal leader. Earlier in Whitehall there

had been strong deniels of reports of Cabinet divisions over the Prime Minister's refusal to make the firemen a new offer.

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Mr Meir Rosenne, left, and Dr Eli Ben Elissar.

### Israel names delegates to Cairo talks

From Moshe Brilliant Jeruselem, Nov 28
Israel today named two civil servants as delegates to the

Speaking in the Knesset, Mr Eegin said the letter of invita-tion from the acting Foreign Minister of Egypt to Mr Moshe Dayan, the Foreign Minister of Israel, was handed to the Israeli delegate at the United Nations last night by his Egyptian opposite number.

Mr Begin said the two men to be the control of the

Mr Begin told the House



### that, in consultation with Mr Dayan, wso is now in Germany, it had been agreed that the

in had been agreed that the Israeli representatives will be Dr Eli Ben Elissar, Director-General of the Prime Minister's office, and Mr Meir Rosenne, legal adviser to the Foreign Ministry.

Israel's acceptance of the suvitation was sent through its representative at the United Nations, Mr Begin said.

Quoting from the Egyptian letter, Mr Begin said the conference was to be an informal meeting of the parties to the Biddle Sast dispute as well as the Soviet and American cochairmen of the Geneva peace conference and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Mr Begin reported to the carronts as delegates to the Cairo conference opening on December 3 which Mr Menachem Begin, the Prima Minister, said marked the opening of "face to face negotiations with our neighbours for a true Speaking in the Knesset, Mr General of the United Nations.

Mr Begin reported to the House on President Sadat's mission to Jerusalem but shed no light on what wet on in the private talks. He gently chided deputies who had made public statements urging the Government to be forthcoming in the negotiations with Egypt. "This is an important hour," he said. "Don't compete in making concessions."

Mussion to heal Arab rift,

### Banks split on interest rates

After last week's 2 point rise in the Bank of England's minimum lending rate to 7 per cent, National Westminster announced an increase of 1½ per cent to 7½ per cent in base lending rate which was later followed by a 1 point rise to 7 per cent by Lloyds. The rates reflect sharp differences of opinion over the short-rate reflects.

New Japanese Cabinet Mr Takeo Fukuda, the Japanese Prime Minister, dismissed his Cabinet and appointed a new team of ministers that included economic experts to deal with the economic, political and diplomatic problems caused by Japan's huge trade sumplus

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#### Worker directors

Disagreement over the allocation of worker-director sears on the main Post Office board is dogging the Government's first practical experiment in worker-participation, which is due to begin in a mouth Page 2

Mr Gierek to see Pope Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish Communist Party leader, arived in Rome for a visit during which he will call on the Pope. during which he will call on the rope. It will be the first time that a Polish communist leader has been to the Vatican Page 6

#### Refuge ship crisis

Australia has sent a Navy petrol boat to intercept a trawler heading for Darwin with 175 Vietnamese refugees on board. Indonesia refused them permission to land when they arrived at Surabaya last Tuesday Page 7

#### Unmarried woman's rights upheld

By a majority, the Court of Appeal has decided that an unmarried woman has the same right as a wife to expel a violant man from her home, even if he has some property rights in it. The decision overturned two previous rusings by the of Appeal

#### Political education

Courses in political education for all pupils in secondary schools, including instruction in the skills needed for direct action, are urged in a report by a research unit at York University Page 3

### Carter homestead site

Debrett's Peerage has ternished its image in the United States by a blunder in its search for President Carter's roots. The firm has had to admit that an announce-ment that the first Carter homestead size had been found was "misleading" Page 7 Typhoid: A boy who was a passenger on a cruise to North Africa is in a Lancashire hospital with typhoid 2

Help for disabled: The running costs of an electrically operated wheelthair and other special aids needed by a disabled woman can be met by supplementary benefit payments, the High Court ruled 2 Missing baronet: Sir Rupert Mackeson, the Missing baronet: Sir Rupert Machaeou, and baronet missing from his London home since October, is not being sheltered by 3

Horn of Africa: Ethiopia is reported to be poised for a courner-attack against the Somali forces attacking Harer 7

### Shipvard peace move

The 1,700 outsiting workers at Swan Hunter's Tyneside yard who have been operating an overtime ban for three months wil be recommended today to lift the ban in order to save a £52m comment, part of the £115m shapbuilding deal with Poland

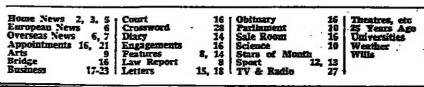
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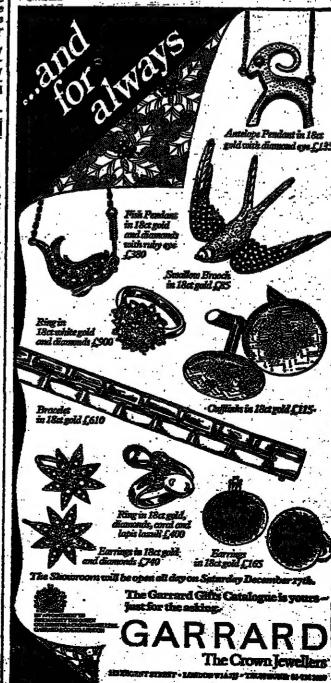
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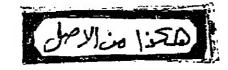
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### Seat allocation holds up experiment in worker-participation

Labour Reporter

A two-year experiment in worker-participation in the Post Office, due to begin in a worker director " ats.

The Society of Civil and Public Servants, which has 7,000 members among the 450,000 postal workers, is incensed at being excluded from . the preliminary allocations for to a request from the council the main baard. It is seeking to increase union represenstrong representation on the new regional boards.

The union has made clear that unless it gets more direct involvement it will consider withdrawing from the exercise. That would not necessarily delay the Government's first practical experiment in industrial democracy, due to start on January 1.

The eight unions recognized by the Post Office will meet in London today to try to allocate the seats. The Preliminary arragnement is to give two cach to the Union of Post Office Workers and the Post Office Engineering Union on the main board.

One seat each would go to the Civil and Public Services
Association, the Post Office
Management Staffs' Association and the Society of Post
Office Executives. Tha t would
exclude the Society of Civil would have held meetings to select
Civil "wprker" nominations to the
the national and regional boards.
Sub Mr Varley, Storetary of
Tele-State for industry, had hoped and Public Servants, the National Federation of Sub Postmasters, and the Tele-Postmasters, and the Tele State for Industry, had hoped phone Contract Officers Asso to get the union nominations a

The Council of Post Office Unions broadly sees the board allocations

being reflected among the 11 month, is being dogged by dis-agreement over the allocatin of variations to accommodate special intereests. The feeling among many of the unions is that the experiment would go ahead without them if the society withdrew.

Christopher Gerrard Heapes, aged 27, of Blanchardstown, co Dublin, faced three charges: The Post Office has agreed possessing a pistol and a tation on the proposed 230 revolver and ammunition with intent to endanger life; having local area policy committees so that all eight unions can be directly involved. Many of the the weapons under his coutrol with intent to endanger life; and having no firearm certifiunions see the local-level function as more important than involvement in the national Mr Laurence Farrell, for the

prosecution, said there would be additional charges. Mr Heapes was remanded in The consensus among the unions appears to be that, if a union has no board membercustody until today. Mr Myles Shevlin, for the defence of Mr Hexpes, said he ship at national or regional level, its views can be adequa-

tely represented by unions that would be asking for bail. have membership.

The society's view is that if Det Sergeant Leonard Aherne, of the Special Branch, said he arrested Mr Heapes at it can secure strong direct representation at regional level i t would waive its ambitions on Leyden's cash-and-carry pre-mises on Saturday under the Irish Republic's Offences the national board. Some of the bigger unions in the Post against the State Act, because he suspected him of being a member of an illegal organiza-Office do not appear to have wormed to that strategy, how-

tion. Bomb defused: A bomb disposal expert defused a booby trap device left on an army helicopter landing pad at Nawcopter landing pad at New townbamilton, near Newry, co Down, yesterday. The bomb was discovered close to the pad at

### Gang get £10,000 in Dublin raid

Dublin yesterday.

An armed gang of about four men escaped with £10,000 in a Dublin bank raid yesterday. No one was hurt. The gang's car gambling districts, have run up against a 41-year-old deed of covenant, a Lands Tribunal hearing in London was told yesterday.

Daejan Investments Ltd is Charge after siege: The first of applying for a modification of nine men arrested in connexion with an attempted hold-up at a wholesale warehouse in Dublin at the weekend appeared at the Special Criminal Court in

the covenant to permit gaming at 30 Curzon Street, formerly part of the estate of Lord Howe. The covenant, dating from 1936, stipulates that the building shall be used only for shops, offices, flats and gar-

Court move

union fails

An attempt by Beaverbrook

Newspapers to stop a printing

workers' union from limiting

the number of copies of the

Daily Express published during

the Daily Mirror journalists' dis-

pute was rejected in the High

sought an injunction to stop Mr

William Keys, general secretary of the Society of Graphical and

Allied Trades from ordering his

members on the Daily Express

After a private hearing, Mr

Justice Cusack rejected the

Afrerwards Mr Alan Bellinger, director of industrial relations for Beaverbrook, said: "A conference will be

held and an appeal considered." Letter to chairman: Mr Keys

reacted sharply yesterday to a 
personni attack by the Daily 
Express last Friday (our 
Labour Reporter writes). In a 
letter to Mr Victor Matthews, 
chairman of Beaverbrook News-

papers, he said that the union objected to Beaverbrook and other publishers who had sought to take unfair advantage

not to print extra copies.

against

Beaverbrook

application.

Plans to open a new casino Ladbroke Group, which has an nant restriction, originally in the centre of Mayfair, one optional lease on the building designed to preserve a residential designed to preserve a residential design. intended to move its present casino at the Hertford Club near by into the new premises. The building was sold for £2.7m

four years ago. Mr Ronald Bernstein, QC, for Daejan, said planning permission and a justices' licence had been granted for gambling use, and the Gaming Board had also issued a licence.
The application is opposed by

the Howe Estate, as well as the Curzon House Club, owned by Coral Leisure Group Ltd and local residents. ..

Mayfair casino plan runs up against a snag

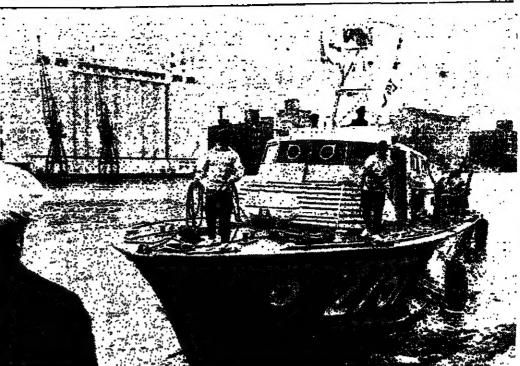
tial estate, was now wholly incapable of achieving that aim. The covenant had been taken out for the benefit of property in Curzon Street forming part of the Howe estate, but since then there had occurred a trans-formation in the character of the street from residential to commercial use.

Mr Adrian Eve, senior partner in a West End company chartered surveyors, said there were 10 casinos within a short distance of Curzon Street. It was one of the most popular

gambling districts in London.
Transferring gaming activities
from the Hertford Club to the
new building would have little
effect on the district, and no effect on the price of surrounding properties.

The tribunal was told that 30 Curzon Street, was a grade 2 listed building, built in 1750 and later redesigned by Robert Adam. In 1936 residents near by included Lord Crewe. Lord Reading, and the fifth Lord Howe, After the war the Royal Worcester Porcelain Company occupied the building.

The hearing continues today.



HMAFV 2757 arriving at the Royal Victoria Dock, London, yesterday, en route to the RAF museum at Hendon.

### Tribunal asked to modify covenant designed to preserve residential estate | Civil Service | Civil Service unions launch 'week of action

By our Labour Reporter Nine unions representing 500,000 civil servants launched a "week of action' yesterda. in support of a demand feresearch to be instituted for their pay settlement in April.

The Government has conceded the reactivation of the pay research unit, which compares Civil Service pay with private industry, for the 1979 settlement. The unions, fearing strict control of their wages next year, want an emergency pay research conducted in the coming months.

The staff side of the National Whitiey Council is anxious to prevent a free-for all over parnext year. Mr William Kendall, side secretary-general expressed concern at the pros-pect of a chaotic situation.

He added: "The underlying threat is that the Government will insist on a pay settlement of 10 per cent or less while the general trend elsewhere is above 10 per cent."

Delegates from the North-east, representing 20,000 mem-bers of the Civil and Public Services Association, decided in Durnam yesterday to support the national action. A one-day strike has been called today by CPSA members in north-west Wales, which will delay payment of unemployment and supplementary benefits by up

A mass meeting of civil servants to be held in London has been called, to be addressed by Mr Kendall and union general secretaries. The unions have asked for a formal meeting of the National Whitley Council, the first for 31 years, to emphasize their concern.

### Disablement grants 'covers electric aids'

Most of the eight unions

The running costs of an electrically operated wheelchair running costs of the aids, which and other special aids needed by a disabled woman can be a disabled woman can be by a disabled woman can be met by supplementary benefit payments, the High Court ruled

The Queen's Beach Divisional Court reversed a decision of the West London Supple-mentary Benefits Appeal Tribunal which had refused to Tribunal which had refused to help Mrs June Wyutt, aged 42, of High Road, Cowley, Middlesex, to pay her electricity bill. Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Park and Mr Justice May allowed an appeal brought against the tribunal's decision by Mrs Wyatt's husband Robert aged. Wyatt's husband, Robert, aged

Mr Justice May said that the tribunal had upheld an earlier decision of the Supplementary Benefits Commission that no

offering free in-flight enter-tainment in the economy-class

section of flights into and out

It has issued similar direc-tives to several other airlines

has been approved by both

sherborne, Dorset, first brought the case to light in a letter in The Times yesterday. She wrote: "One wonders on whose

authority the Department of

Trade suddenly decided to cur-

tail the attractions offered by Singapore, and why. Could it have been, "If Britain cannot

run a profitable international

airline with lots of happy pas-sengers, we'll jolly well ensure

that no one else can'?"
Singapore Airlines said last

night: "We have resisted this

move for some time, because ve believe in giving better

vice to our passengers. How-ever, after intensive negotia-

tions, we are now required to comply with these regulations."

Students at Brunel Univer-

sity, Uxbridge, west London, were ordered by a High Court

judge yesterday to give up part of the university they have

Students ordered out

Mrs Phoebe Winch,

20vernments

Free drink

banned

mattress and cushion.

The tribunal had decided that the running costs could not be taken into account in assessing the supplementary benefit payable to Mr Wyatt because they came under the heading of medical requirements, which are excluded under the provisions of the supplementary

sions of the supplementary Benefits Act. 1976. But the judge said the tribunal could not reach such a deci-sion without considering each particular piece of equipment and the purpose for which it was used. Supplementary benewas a matter of last resort.
It is the last source of anciel assistance available to the ordinary citizen", he said.
"If and to the extent that these electrical costs are not charge-

think it only night that one should construe the Supple-menary Benefits Act in such a way that these costs are to be

way that these costs are to be covered by it."

Mr Wyatt, who was present in court, said later, "Everything a disabled person wants involves a long fight. It took us five years to get these aids and equipment for my wife. Now she refuses to use them because she is affailed of run-

because she is afraid of run-ning up the electricity bill."

Mr Wyatt, who suffers from poor health and has not worked poor health and has not worked for three years, said he bad sustained a back injury through lifting his wife. He added: "I think today's decision could affect more than two thirds of disabled people, depending on the degree of their disability." He estimated the weekly cost of running the special aids at between £2.50 and £3.

### **Covent Garden chorus** pay dispute settled

National Opera at the London Coliseum.

After a period of working to contarct, which caused cuts and houses, the dispute involving the two orchestras was settled, and it was thought that agree-ment on pay for the singers would soon follow Although the Covent Garden

that wanted to follow the lead given by Singapore.

Singapore Airlines is not a member of the International Air Transport Association (Iata), which establishes rules for payment for in-flight entertainment late decisions have to be approved by governments and Although the Covent Garden amployment, but mere appropriate the covent bas agreed to what is peared to be no swift solution essentially a phase three deal, in sight.

a 10 per cent increase less £2

a week which had been paid at present that the singers intend to resume the disruptive there is no sign of a settlement action that led to cancellation approved by governments and aren then written into the bilateral air agreements between countries, which are signed at government Jevel

On airlines

By Arthur Reed,
Air Correspondent
The Department of Trade in London said vesterday that it has ordered Singapore Airlines to stop serving free drinks and offering free in-flight enter.

Are Correspondent

The Department of Trade in London said vesterday that it has ordered Singapore Airlines for the chorus of the English National Opera is that the chorus is factoring a phase two deal, and there is unhappiness about the disparation there is some parity between the increase offered to it and the money being paid at Covent Garden.

Equity said the management of the English national Opera is that the chorus is factoring a phase two deal, and there is unhappiness about the disparation paid at Covent Garden.

Equity said the management had made an offer made an offer made and made and offer made and made an offer made and made and offer made and thought would be within the pay guidelines but it had re-sulted in a variety of difficul-ties. The management had ties. The management had made an offer that it thought would be within the pay guide lines but it had resulted in a variety of difficialties. The management had been back and

forth to the Department of Employment, but there ap-peared to be no swift solution in sight. at the London Coliseum. of performances of two operas
Not the least of the difficular time ENO.

of a "colleague in the in-dustry". He added: "You seek to promote the declining sales of the Daily Express to the dis-advantage of the Daily Mirror when that paper has no means of defending itself:" London editions of the Daily Mirror were not published for the eighth successive issue today. The British Printing Industry Federation, representing 4,000 firms, and the Newspaper Society, representing provincial newspaper managements, yesterday rejected a pay claim from three printing unions which, the federation said, challenged the 12-month rule.

challenged the 12-month rule.
Fleet Street threat: A warning that the industrial situation in Fleet Street was threatening the existence of some papers was given in London yesterday by Sir Richard Marsh, chairman of the Newspaper Publishers Association. He said: "Although Fleet Street provides some of the highest paid employment in this country, we have not received the cooperation from the shop filor which is essential if the industry is to take edvantage, which it needs to survive, of the organizational and technological opportunities aveitable."

Difficulties in the industry

Difficulties in the industry were frequently ignored and management often faced "what management often raced what can only be described as near sharchy". He added: "It is high time that some of my friends in the Fleet Street unions persuaded their mem-bers that the present situation is not simply a threat to pro-prietors but an increasing threat to the employment of the men on the shop floor."

### Children among five dead in three fires

A man who apparently fell asleep while smoking a cigarette died in a fire at his bome in Birmingham yesterday. Troops equipped with breathing appara-tus found Mr Charles Godbold, aged 63 in his smoke-filled bedroom in St Peter's Road, Hands-

Police believe Mr Godbold was dead when the fire was discovered. It is thought his cigarette set fire to magazines and bedding.

He was the fifth person to die in separate fires yesterday, bringing the death toll in the first 15 days of the firemen's strike to 31.

Early yesterday a man and his two young granddaughters died in a blaze in a small terrance house in Bulwer Street,
Amield, Merseyside. The grandfather, Mr Ronald Johnson,
aged 42, who lived next door,
died trying to rescue Paula
Cooper, aged two, and her sis-

Liverpool police said the strike could in no way be blamed for the three deaths.

A senior fire officer and a police office: from the Mersey-side forces fell through a ceiling during the first but were uninjured. When the alarm was raised two Army "Green God-dess" fire appliances were sent and four firemen left the picket lines outside the nearest fire Wearing breathing apparatus,

ter Michelle, aged 12 months.

wearing breathing apparatus, they fought their way into the house through a bedroom window but by then it was too late. When the Army's first Green Goddess arrived the house was burning fiercely. The soldiers were unable to get their ladders up to the first floor windows because of the flames.

The children's bodies were found in an upstairs front bed-room and their grandfather's in a rear bedroom, where he had apparently teen searching for

In Sheffield a crippled elderly man died after having been trapped in his burning home in Eastern Crescent, Arbourthorne. Mr George Southwell, aged 72, was found dead in front of an open coal fire. open coal fire.

Neighbours fought the blaze
with buckets of water and a
hosepipe and had brought it
under coursel when troops and

police arrived.
Mr James McKenzie, aged 44. Forth Street, Stirling, died when fire broke out in his house early yesterday. When soldiers. using two Green Goddesses, got into the house be was dead,

apparently suffocated by smoke. The house was badly damaged. The resignation from the Fire Brigades Union of more than a hundred part-time firemen in Avon will have little or no effect on the strike campaign. Mr Alan Totterdell, the union's south-west region secretary, said in Bristol yesterday. He was commenting on the reported de-fection of part-timers to the

Police increased their watch after a tenth case of suspected arson at the Middlesex Hos-pital, London, in two weeks. Files on a desk near a hospital ward were set on fire on Sun-day night but police and staff managed to put out the fire before it caused serious damage. Mr David Williams, a strik-

rival Retained Fire Fighters

ing fireman from Springvale, Sheffield, said yesterday that after his wife's social security benefit arrived he found that the family was £6.24 a week better off because he was on

itic

Coun

When he is working, Mr Williams brings home £42 a week for his wife and their four children, aged between three and 14. The social security cheque came to £48.24. he said. " It is ridiculous that firemen should be valued so lowly as to get paid less than an unemployed man.

### Boy who went on cruise has typhoid

A boy who was a passenger on an African cruise earlier this mouth his contracted typicoid, the Department of Health and Social Security confirmed yesterday. The boy, a passenger on an Epirotiki Line ship, the Jupiter, is in Park cruise, is un Lee Hospital, Blackburn, Three other people and a boy aged 9 have also been taken ill after two, cruises by the cruise, from

ill after two, cruises by the Jupiter. A Manchester woman, aged 37, was in the Monsall Isolamon Hospital, Manchester, last night as a confirmed para-typhoid case.

Her son, who was found to be a typhoid carrier, has been

Prince asked for

Blackburn man, aged 77, another passenger on the first Thomson Holidays cruise, is improving slowly from ysentery. A Manchester woman, aged

cruise, is undergoing tests at The North West Regional Health Authority said the first cruise, from October 26 to November 9, estarted at Casablanca and ended at Tangier, calling at Gambia, the Canry

Isles nd Madeir. Passengers star Passengers started to feel unwell after a buffet lunch before they boarded the shap at Casablanca.

"It looks as though we have one case of typhoid and several cases of paratyphoid and salmonella."

On the second cruise, from Tangier to Greece between November 9 and 16, many passengers complained of diarr-Thomson Holidays

representatives from the company were meeting officials of the department, "We believe the cause of the outbreak was either a meal, which everyone had, in a restaurant in Casablanca or a germ someone brought on board on emberka-

#### Life jail for murder of cripple

Barry Dennis Donovan, aged 29, who was said at the Central Criminal Court to have strangled a crippled man, was jailed for life yesterday.

Mr Donovan, a kitchen porter, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to murdering Mr Ronald Enever, sged 46, of Lambourne Road, Barking,

£21,000 bank raid

Dense fog helped four masked men armed with revolvers, to get away with £21,000 from the Pakistan-Indian United Bank in Great Western Road, Glasgow,

### Attempt to end Labour split on Europe

signed at government level and apply to al lairlines.
The Department of Trade said "Singapore Airlines have been told that they must abide by the tariffs and conditions of service laid down by the air service agreement which Continued from page 1

That prospect was not men-tioned during the Cabinet-NEC meeting. It was called to dis-cuss the letter that Mr Callaghan sent to the executive in September, in which he said that he was in no doubt that there were aspects of Community policies that did not work in British interests, or might "work counter to our concepts of how Britain and Europe should develop". He believed the task was to

"produce a long-term perspec-tive for reform and change with the Community". Mr Callaghan told the meeting that Europe's economic weight could be made far more

weight countries by all the nine countries working closely together from a position of political strength. The United Kingdom could play a decisive part in exercising that influence. He said he thought it should be possible for the proposed working party to agree on a statement that would "go" for both the Government and the party.

Mr Eric Heffer, MP for Liv-

erpool, Walton, launched the attack of the anti-EEC lobby with an accusation that it was the Cabinet, not the NEC, who were completely out of tune with the party. After the demonstration by Labour back-benchers against the direct elections Bill last week it would be difficult to get agreement in the working party.

Only by a coalition of Conservative, Liberal and Labour votes.

A substantial majority of the Parliamentary Labour Parly on her is came to fine vote on a method of election, the very least the Prime Minister could do, she working party.

He suggested that the Government should support the motion to be put in the Commons by Mr Nigel Spearing, MP

for Newham, South, asking that no proposal should be approved by a British minister in the Council of Ministers until the Commons has debated the sub-Another critic, Mr Ian Mikardo, wanted no blurring of tion. The Government should tell the Community what Labour was seeking and that if

> That may sound like a form of blackmail", Mr Mikardo said, "but it is the only way to

it did not get it it would with-

get things done." He did not think much of the so-called concessions obtained in the "renegotiation" leading up to the referendum. He had reluctantly concluded that the Prime Minister's letter was not a bona fide attempt to get common ground and he very

much regretted it.
Mrs Barbara Castle and Miss Joan Maynard, MP for Sheffield, Brightside, also thought the Bill should be withdrawn. Mrs Castle said it got through

figures—had either voted against or absteined. When it came to the vote on a method of election, the very least the Prime Minister could do, she said, would be to see that no government spokesman men-tioned proportional representa-tion from the dispatch box. If the Government did not accept Mr Spearing's motion in the Commons, cynicism would be rampant again, she forecast....

Mr Foot, Leader of the Com-mons, recognized that there Another critic, Mr Ian were deep divisions of principle Mikardo, wanted no blurring of on the EEC, but the Governthe issues. There was no point ment had made its decision and in working out detailed proposals for reform if Britain was to start from an impotent position. The Covernment should port it.
If, as was being suggested,

Labour MPs in the future were to ignore a two-line whip on the Bill, that would be a betrayal of the Labour movement. It was the duty of the party to make a common approach to the issue and find

agreement. Dr Owen, Foreign Secretary, said he had never been in favour of a federal Europe. He said the authority of the national parliaments and their powers must be maintained. They should not be decreased without parliamentary approval. There was a great need to strengthen the United Kingdom Parliament's control over many

### view on case of attempted rape

By a Staff Reporter
The Prince of Wales was asked yesterday to comment publicly on a six-month prison semence given recently to a Royal Navy sailor for attempted rape and causing actual bodily harm.

harm. Women Against Rape delivwomen Against Rape delivered a letter to the Prince, a retired Navy commander, giving details of the case of Maurice Markham, described as an engineer in the Royal Navy, who was jailed in October.

The letter complained that the tener complained that the case was one of a long line, in which judges " had seen fit to be lenient to men in uni-form". It cited the case of Guardsman Thomas Holds-worth, who was convicted of

rape but was freed by the Court of Appeal. "Returning from your recent tour you must know the kind of effect such a scandalous situation can have on inter-national relations", the letter said. Earlier 20 women demon-

strated outside the Home Office in protest at the sentence on the sailer. They were particu-larly angry about the remarks of the judge in the case, who said it would be "a shame if the country loses your services". The judge also recommended his reinstatement.

#### Seven years for heroin smuggler

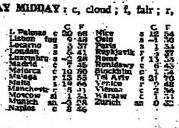
Amjad Fayyaz, aged 24, said to have smuggled herom valued at £173,000 from Bangkok to London because he needed money to help his family in Kenya, was jailed at Reading Crown Court, Berksbire, vesterday for seven years.
Mr Fayyaz, of Bath Street,
Rugby, pleaded guilty to evading prohibition on 1,800 gramms
of the drug at Heathrow in
May.

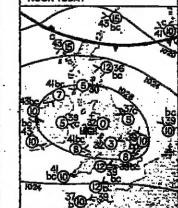
Sun sets : 7.41 am 3.57 pm NW, NE England, Lake District, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Dry, bright or sonny spells, but some fog persisting in places; wind variable, light; max temp 4°C (39°F).

Aberdeen. Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Dry, bright or sunny intervals; wind variable or SW, light; max temp 4°C (39°F).

NE NW Scotland: Mortic or Moon sets: Moon rises: 10.11 am 7.30 pm Lighting up : 4.27 pm to 7.12 am. Lighting up: 4.27 pm to 7.12 am. High water: London Bridge, 3.35 am, 7.9m (22.8ft); 3.55 pm, 6.9m (22.7ft). Avoimouth, 8.52 am. 12.5m (41.1ft); 9.15 pm, 12.3m (40.3ft). Dover, 12.35 am, 6.6m (21.6ft); 12.52 pm, 6.4m (20.9ft). Hull, 7.57 am, 6.8m (22.2ft); 7.59 pm, 7.9m (22.9ft). Liverpool, 12.50 am, 8.6m (28.3ft); 1.3 pm, 8.8m (28.8ft). An anticyclone centred over N Britain will nove only slowly and condinue to dominate the weather pathern over all areas.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; f, fair ; r,





Wind E becoming variable: sca

Strait of Dover, English Channel

(E): Wind E strong; sea rough.
St George's Channel: Wind E
fresh; sea moderate.
Irish Sea: Wind light and vari-

Yesterday London: Temp: Max, 6 am to 6 pm, 6°C (43°F); min, 6 pm to 6 am. 2°C (36°F). Humidire, 6 pm, 69 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, 0.01in. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 3.8hr. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,029.0 millibars, steady.

1,000 millibars=29.52in.





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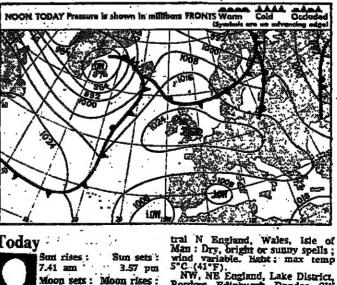
Council spending reply By Christopher Warman Authorities said yesterday. and object to their Mr Jack Smart, the associa- ority's accounts?

Parliamentary proposals for the monitoring of council spending showed a lack of understanding of local government, the Association of Metropolitan Authorities said yesterday.

Hours charman, commented:

"Do people really think that an annual report made to a Commons committee is a better safeguard for ratepayers than their present right to inspect and object to their local authorities."

### Weather forecast and recordings



Today · Sum rises : Last quarter: December 3.

continue to dominate the weather pattern over all areas.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
London, SE, central S, SW England, Channel Islands: Isolated winty showers, bright or sunny spells; wind ME, moderate, locally fresh; max temp 5°C (41°F).
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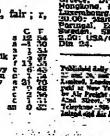
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NE, NW Scotland: Mostly dry, hright or sunny intervals; wind SW moderate; max temp 6° to 7°C (43° to 45°F).

Argyll, N freland: Dry, bright or sunny spells after early mist; wind variable, becoming S, light; max temp 5° to 6°C (41° to 43°F).

Orkney, Shetland: Occasional light rain clearing, bright intervals developing; wind W moderate, max temp 7°C (45°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Taursday: Continuing mostly dry and cold, some sunshine and night frost, fog patches early and late. Sea passages: S North Sea:



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### Political action should | Work starts be included in school courses, report urges

Education Correspondent

Courses in political education chould be made part of a com-mon core or protected part of the curricusum for all pupils in secondary schools, the political education research unit at York education research unat at York University says in a draft report of a times-year research project. Political education, it says, should include a study of institutions, parties, political concepts, issues of national and everyday life, and the skills necessary to take political

action.

Political action, it suggests, might be anything from writing a letter to an MP, or speaking at a public meeting, to organiz-ing a petition, forming a pressure group, or taking other

The report acknowledges the need to reassure the public about the danger of the indoctrination of children by reachers with strong political riews or bias, and remove the fear that, for example, long-haired Marxist reachers would be leading children into revolution on the streets. tion on the streets.

Living in a phuralistic society, with many sources of informa-tion available, and influenced by various agencies of political socialization such as the family, the media, and still, for some the Church, as well as the school, teachers are relatively impotent to transmit values to their students, it says. Instances of charismatic political education teachers, such as Chris Searle, were remarkable for their rarity.

In a detailed study of six chools providing political teachers were greatly worried about the possibility of the transmission of their own politi-

maismission of their own post-cal values and ideologies to their pupils.

Interviews with the pupils, however, showed that they had a clear and accurate view of the value position of the reacher, made allowances for it, and did not see it as a difficulty. Teachers were therefore worry-ng unnecessarily when wonder-

The report suggests that there is a need for further empirical research into the questions concurring prejudice, bias, and inductionation, if only to lay those ghosts.

chosts:

Provided a teacher had the right approach to "political hierary", which involved being aware of and communicating the alternatives to his own political position, having a respect for the routh and reason, showing tolerance and fairness to different points of view, there should be no danger, the unit found.

The unit was set up in 1974 with a £20,000 grant from the Nuffield Foundation under Professor Ian Lister, head of the department of education at York University, to study the political learning of young people in schools end colleges in order to discover appropriate ways of assessing political learning and to identify the possibilities and the limitations of formal programmes of political education.

A further £20,000 was given by the foundation at the same time to finance a twin research project, under Professor Ber-nard Crick, head of the depart-ment of politics and sociology at Birkbeck College, London, to an open the development of to propose surable

secondary schools and further education colleges, it does not feel that a rapid spread of such courses is possible given the shortage of suitably trained teachers. Suitable training should not

Suitable training should not simply be training in politics, but a combination of learning how to identify, understand and analyse political issues and concepts, and how to organize teaching and learning so as actively to involve most students in the High Court yester-teaching and debate and encourage the creation of a "democratic classroom".

The report calls for a national survey of the provision of political education in schools.

David Frost, the television tax commissioners' decision excluding Mr Frost's foreign earnings in the United States.

Edgerron Crestent, Chelsea, had originally been assessed for tax over the three years on \$174,654, but the commissioners had reduced that to \$27,805, which was all money earned in Britain.

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### on £1m **Irish Centre** extension

By Philip Howard

The Irish Centre in Camden, London, the spiritual and social home from home for Irish men and women lost in the wasteland of London, yesterday launched an ambirious scheme

Cardinal Hume, Archbishop of Westminster, and Mgr Tomas O Fizich, Roman Catho-lic Archbishop of Armagh and France of All Ireland, Isid the first three bricks under the critical eyes of an expert audience. The rest of the work will be done more expeditiously by the contractors, J. Murphy and Sons, which should mean

The centre was founded as an easis of Irishdom 22 years ago in two rambling Victorian terrace houses. After the war there was plenty of work, particularly on the building sites, and the Irish streamed over at a rate of up to a thousand a a rate of up to a thousand a ver k. Lonely for the greenery of home, they had nowhere to go for companionship after a dusty day on the building site except the public house. In parts of London such as Kilburn and and Camden Town the acquired a reputation for booze

The loneliness of the London lrish was captured by John Keane, the playwright, who was for a time an emigrant to Keane, the playwright, who was opened the Irish centre. It was for a time an emigrant to intended to provide temporary lodging for the homeless, jobs for the unemployed, social life



Mgr O. H. Fiaich and Cardinal Hume laying the first bricks vesterday for the extension to the Irish Centre.

wood, to mortar, bricks, and lime. And let him rot in Crickle-

but you were old and grey."
In 1955 a group of Irish priests and laity, concerned about the Irish adrift in London,

for the homesick, and personal

And let him rot in Cricklewood until he serves his time.
Oh Cricklewood, Oh Cricklewood, you stole my youth
away,
For I was young and innocent,
but you were old end group.

Since then the centre has
seved 30,000 Irish from shipwreck in the big city, and more
than 2,500 a week come for
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dinner dances, ceilidels, Guinletter has home, tA present 135 young rish men and women, who have nowhere else to stay, are being put up at the centre. But the buildings have decayed, while the work has increased. The launching of the exten-sion was a pleasantly Irish

occasion. The centre was full of nuns, priests, and chunky men with horny hands, all talking nineteen to the dozen. The bars

Cardinal Hume said: "Much of the criticism of the Irish is anachronistic caricature, which does not serve to promote good pounds is a lot of money, but Catholics have never been short of generosity when they see the need." community relations. A million

David Frost does not owe tax on £174,000, judge says

active under the agreement. Mr Frost received 95 per cent of After the judgment one of Mr. Frost's legal advisers said that The judge held that the partnership was legally valid. It was intended to exploit Mr Frost's talents abroad, he said. before Leander was set up Mr Frost had been advised to leave Britain for financial reasons. The money under the Bahaman partnership was never received by Mr Frost in Britain. Since the Finance Act, 1974, But he was determined to stay a receive his earnings in the sterling area, so the Bahamian

### Name game aim to halt legal

campaign From Our Correspondent

A man accused by the Law Society on six counts of carrying out house purchase conveyancing work while unqualified to do so told Worcester magistrates yesterday that he had changed his surname by deed post to Whatsisname as a protest against the society's "Don't trust Whatsisname" advertising camonien.

After the case he said he was planning to ask the Society to cancel the campaign so that it would not defame him. Mr Francis Reynolds, aged 43, a law lecturer, of Hylton Road, Worcester, revealed his change of name after pleading not guilty to the six summonses of carrying out conveyancing work when he was not a qualified solicitor. He was addressed as Mr Whatsisname by the magistrates and court officials during the rest of the hearing. He told the court: "No doubt the bench has been

doubt the bench has been offended by the advertising campaign mounted by the Law Society. The society believes that, like the Pope, it is incompose of these proceedings is for it to wage a war of attrition against me."

The case was adjourned until January to give Mr Whatsis-name time to prepare his defence.

#### Jail for youth leader

Judge McDonnell was told at Middlesex Crown Court yesterday that Everton George Beck-ford, aged 22, twice found guilty of robbery and on a suspended two-year sentence for employed as a leader at a Stoke Newington youth hostel.

Mr Beckford, of Upper Clap-ton Road, Hackney, was jailed for nine mouths for dishoestly remain suspended

#### In brief

Petition to save opera house

Copies of a petition with more than 10,000 signatures calling on Greater Manchester Council and the Arts Council to save the Manchester Opera House will be presented to officials of the two councils today (our Theatre Reporter

The Opera House and the Palace Theatre, Manchester, are threatened with closure early in the new year.

Algarve body named An inquest was opened in Westminster yesterday and adjourned until January 11 on Mr Richard James Dorey Harrison, aged 25, of Penzance, whose body was found in the sea off Algarve, Portugal, more than a month ago.

Mayor's wife robbed Mrs Dawn Methuen, wife of the Mayor of Kensington and Chelsea, was beaten up in her home at Warwick Square,

Westminster, yesterday and robbed of jewelry and silver ware valued at £3,500. Ambulances return Merseyside ambulance ser-

vices operated to schedule yesterday after a dispute over oonus payments, which arose from an overtime ban and ended in a 13-hour strike before settlement was agreed last Fri

£48.000 damages

Mrs Margaret Lewis, aged 32, of Merthyr Tydfil, whose husband was killed when his bull-dozer toppled over the edge of an open-cast mine roadway in 1970, was awarded £48,044 damages in the High Court, London, yesterday.

Post-mortem on bear Officials carried out a post mortem examination yesterday

at Bristol 200 to try to find out how Sebastian, aged 19 years, the first male polar bear born in Britain, died.

Office strike

About 150 staff at the social security office at Wigan, Greater Manchester held a oneday strike yesterday over the dismissal of a colleague.

### Scottish land plan

criticized The Scottish Landowners' Federation replied yesterday to recent calls for land nationalization in Scotland. It said in statement that the sole result of public ownership of agricultural land would be an enormous bill for the nation, more hureaucracy, the loss of revenue from capital taxation on private

Members of the federation own more than four fifths of rural land in Scotland. The statement said the landlord-tenant system was the founda-tion on which the British agri-cultural industry had produced food efficiently. It was also the best way of enabling farmers to enter the industry, since it did not require them to buy and

The Duke of Atholl, chairman of the federation, said the cost of a small arable farm plus stock was more than \$500,000. The return on let land after all charges had been paid and expenses met was only 2 per cent. It was therefore more profitable for a man to farm us own land, which accounted for the trend towards owner-

A recent book on Scottish land ownership and policy statements by the Scottish National Party and the breakaway Scot-tish Labour Party all favour land nationalization.

Police cover-up

Women in the South York-shire police force are being issued with trousers. They were the target for wolf whistles when they climbed in skirts over walls or out of cars.

### Sir Rupert Mackeson 'not being sheltered'

stettered by his anistocrast friends, Lord Normanton said yesterday. Sir Rupert, of the brewing family, disappeared in October from his home in Portman Square, near Marble

Arch, London. He is believed to have debts up to £100,000 and the poince were seeking to interview him in connexion with complaints about his holiday company. that he might have been hidden by influential and wealthy friends.

dismissed the theory. "I have not seen him for years", he said, "and as I keep in touch with his former friends I know they have not seen him."

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Derectives are appealing for people who bought £3 tickets to a lecture next wek in support of the "National Arts Council Fund" to come forward.

Scotland Yard said: "We have established that the fund does not exist and the lecture will not take place. A number of tickets are thought to have been sold, and we think Sir Rupert can help us."

Sir Rupert's mother, Allthea Lady Mackeson, is understood to be suing him for the return of cash and jewelry totalling

of cash and jewelry totalling about 513,000.

His disappearance was reported after several groups of holidaymakers had complained that his Mayfair travel agency had suddenly closed without issuing tickets for paid

Detectives are anxious to trace anyone who has had dealings with the company, Master

Classes, of Shepherd Street and Shepherd Market. They know of 25 members of the Art and Creative Society, of Rickmans-worth, Hertfordshire, who were unable to get into touch with the company after they had paid £3,500 for a four-day visit to Lexingard.

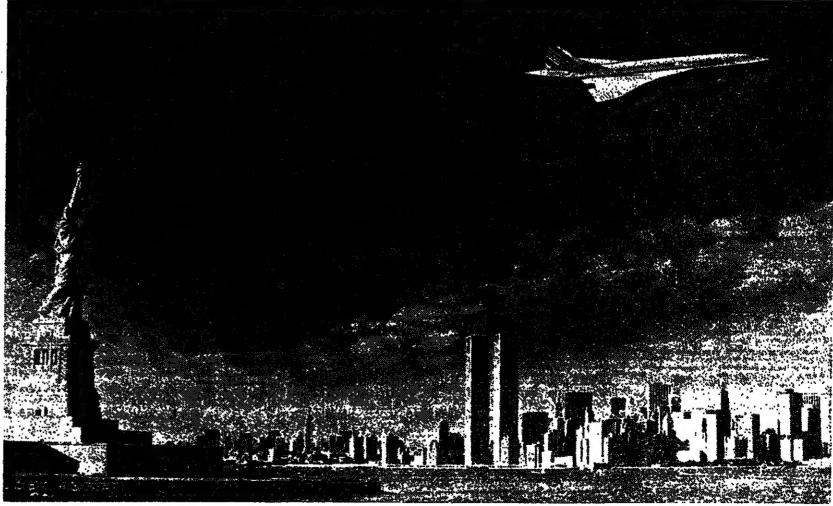
a writer and lecturer, who led some of Sir Ruper's culture tours, said: "I never believed be could be making money, but

disclosed that Sir Rupert had run into difficulties organizing in support of the Art-Collections Fund. lectures National He said: "He had to cancel some lectures at the last minute enormously upset. I understand something went very seriously

wrong."
Scotland Yerd said Sir Rupert was asked to organize a lecture on Rubens for the fund, which paid money for tickets. "We have not yet interviewed anyone in connection with this, so we do not know how much is involved."

Professor Julius Held, an expert on Rubens, disclosed that expert on Rubens, disclosed that he had considered suing Sar Rupert over the last-minute cancellation of a lecture. Professor Held, Professor of Art History at Columbia University, flew from the United States to give the lecture last month organized by Sar Rupert's company, Master Classes.

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Correspondent
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day to publicize the idea.

The council believes it can save fuel costs and help old people to avoid the danger of bypothermia. The key to the method, developed by Mr Geoffrey Horsley, a scientist at Harwell Research Laboratories, is a transparent food-wrapping material sold by supermarkets material sold by supermarkets and groce-s, usually in rolls

He tested the idea for a year before announcing that he had uccessfully double-glazed a between window and film is do the work.

recommended for greatest effi-

Mr Barrie Stead, leader of the council, which has 30,000 pensioners in its area, ex-plained: "An increasing number of elderly people, not only in Hammersmith but in all main cities, are facing soaring fuel costs. Their reaction is not to use hearing, resulting in at least considerable suffering or, in the worst cases, death from

The council has produced a series of slides which will be shown to pensioners at luncheon and social clubs and made available to residents' and tenants' associations throughout the borough.
For those elderly people who

Te bedroom house for £1. The cannot tackle the task the countransparent film is pressed cil's voluntary help section of against window frames, to adult volunteers and senior which it adheres. A linch gap children in local schools will

#### Pleas by two struck-off doctors fail

Deb Narayan, a former doctor, released from prison ear-lier this year, had his application to resume practice rejected yesterday by the Disciplinary Committee of the General Medical Council. Dr Narayan, formerly practising in Station Street East, Coventry, was suspended from the medi-cal register in July last year and his name was erased two months later by the committee. He had been given a two-month prison sentence on a drink-and-driving charge.

The committee also decided not to restore the name of Philip Mathews Goodrich, now in Christchurch, New Zealand, m the medical register in England. He was fined £800 in March, 1974, for obtaining drugs by deception, unlawfully ng them and failing to keep a register.

### Sports action line opened to help youth

A "sports action line" was onened by the Central Council of Physical Recreation last night to enable young people from anywhere in Britain to now to become involved in sport and recreation.

The sports action line, tele-plane number (01) 584 6651, and be manned from 5 am to a on, with a tape-recording ser-

Mr Peter Lawson, the coun-

cil's general secretary, said in London yesterday that it had a 14-point plan de-Preve prompt advice about signed to foster greater particiby young people.

"We want action by the Gov-eroment, schools, local authorities, clubs, so that the young get opportunities for sport, The to take messages during otherwise interest will dwindle

the night, and was opened at away because of a lack of 5 pm yesterday.

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One of the main difficulties is the fact that the minister for sport, Mr Howell, is in the Department of the Environment, so the Department of Education and Science, which should be helping to create greater participation in sport by the young, say it is nothing to do with them, but a matter for the endepartment. young fall between two stools."

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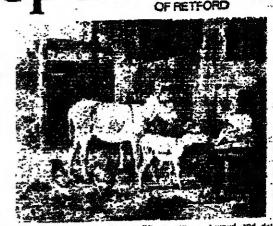
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Court upholds right of unmarried woman to evict her partner

end Services Correspondent . Emmarried women have the some right as twees to expel violent men from their homes under the Domestic Violence and Matrimonial Proceedings Act, 1976, the Court of Appeal decided yesterday by a majority variet. The decision overturned two previous Court of Appeal

udgaceuts. The previous judgments ruled that the property rights of the man involved oversuled the rights of cohabitees to exclude them, even where they jointly owind or rented the property. The Court of Appeal yesterday gave leave to appeal to the House of Lords gainst its decision and an appeal is expected

That still leaves the interpretation of the Act unclear, and Miss Josephine Richardson, Labour MP for Barking and architect of the new law, promised vesterday to press for mised yesterday to press for the introduction of amending legislation if the Lords over-rule the Court of Appeal.

"If the House of Lords take the opposite view, I will immed-iately seek to get amending legislation to clarify the Act in the way that I intended and I believe Parliament intended", she said. "The intention always was that cohabiting couples should have the same rights as married couples to exclude

yiolent partners."

She added that she saw the decision as a "blow for freedom" in that it made clear that the courts no longer see women as the chattels of their men, and it gave cohabiting couples more rights than they had previously enjoyed.

Miss Jennifer Davis, aged 21, whose appeal was allowed yesterday, is staying in the battered wives' refuge in Chiswick with her daughter, Cordelia, aged two. She intends to return on Monday to the Rat she



Miss Jennifer Davis.

shared as joint tenant with Mr Nehemiah Johnson. Mrs Tina Wood, a social

worker at the refuge, and yesterday that Miss Davis and the other women at the refuge were very pleased with the decision, withough the Lords appeal was pending. The decision was also welcomed by the lights of Worker preprinting

sion was also welcomed by the Rights of Women organization, and the National Women's Aid Federation, which coordinates a network of more than a hundred refuges for battered wives throughout Britain.

The federation said the judgment upheld the original spirit of the Act, but pointed out that there were still uncertainties about its inerpression, which might mean that county court judges would continue to be reluctant to grant exclusion orders where a couple were not married. Other parts of the Act were under stress in practice were under stress in practice because some courts were reluctant to attach powers of arrest when they were given, in some areas the police were unwilling to enforce them.

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Holidays for disabled

Cardiff
Local authorities were urged

yesterday to help in providing annual holidays for some of the 15 million people in Britain who are unable to take a vacation for reasons of disability, infirm-

ity or poverty.

Mr Barry Jones, Under-Secretary of State for Wales, who was addressing a conference in Cardiff on social tourism, said the authorities should make more use of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons' Act, 1970, when their financial cirunstances improved.

Mr Jones told the conference,

organized by the Wales Tourist Board and the Wales TUC: "There now exists an aware-ness that the disadvantaged have a particular need for a holiday. Sadly, it is the low-paid, the elderly, and the physically handicapped who are least likely to be able to afford a holiday."

He suggested that more initiative could be taken in offering low-cost holidays to underprivileged groups from September to May, and called for the establishment of a social tourism award for those who

### Half of elms in some areas killed by disease

By a Staff Reporter .

About 11 million elms are estimated to have been killed by Dutch elm disease in the most seriously affected parts of Britain, according to a report by the Forestry Commission. That is an increase of two million over the past year, and means that nearly ball the original 23 million elms in those ereas have been killed.

In some areas, such as the West Middands, Surrey, Hampshire and West Sussex, most time have been killed. Only in two areas, East Sussex and Brighton and Howe, where the elms are geographically isolated, has "samitation" felling of these which have the ing of threes which have the

The worst affected areas are south of a line from the Mersey to the Wash, and include parts of Wases. Even outside those areas, there has been a significant increase in Duch elmotroscope over the part years the disease over the past year; the number of reported cases has been two to five times higher than last year in northern England and western Wales.

Active control campaigns have been supped in the blighted areas, apart from East Sussex and Brighton and Hove. and the main efforts are being directed to the clearance of dead elms. In hightly affected areas, sanitation felling is being continued, since it can slow down the development of the

Felling campaigns of that sort in parts of northern England and Scotland, which have been in operation for only one or two years, have proved relatively effective. But it has been found that they can be successful only where disease levels are low and where the felling is extremely thorough. The report expresses concern over the possible illegal movement of elm logs with bark soill emached into lightly affected areas.

It adds that organized replanting schemes are of para-mount importance, and that grants are available. Although young eim suckers are as susceptible as older trees to the disease, they may escape infection in areas where the disease has destroyed the bigger trees, the "hosts" for the bestles to breed in.

Mirror chief's decree

Mr Percy Charles Roberts, aged 57, chief executive of aged 57, chief executive of Mirror Group newspapers, was granted a decree nisi in London yesterday, against his wife, Constance Teresa, aged 52.



Leader of the Greater London Council (centre) and Mr David Stimpson, leader of Lambeth council, confronted by an angry resident, Miss Tina Gould, as they inspected housing improvement scheme in Railton Road, Herne Hill, yesterday. Miss Gould shouted that Lambeth had mismanaged its housing policies and that "millions" of houses were left empty while "people like me are in bed and breakfast". The two men had been in a party of central and local government officials touring the borough of Lambeth (John Young writes). Others in the party included Miss Jackson, Under-Secretary of State, Department of Education and Science; Mr Grant, Under-

tour, Mr Barnett, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department of the Environment, said government aid for specific inner-city areas was only " the icing on the cake". It should be seen in the con text of the Government's programme of concentrating all forms of assistance, notably the rate-support grant, in areas of greatest need and deprivation. He said that singling out certain local authorities for special assistance had presented the Government with some difficult decisions. It seems fairly clear that one reason why Lambeth was chosen for yesterday's tour was concern over the growing black "ghetto" in Brixton, with its attendant unemployment, crime and Secretary of State, Department of Employ-ment; Mr Moyle, Minister of State, Depart-ment of Health and Social Security; and borough, with an unacceptably high density Sir Ashley Bramali, leader of the Inner in several districts.

### Inner cities 'damaged by development of new towns'

been socially and economically damaged by the development of new nowns is provided in a book published yesterday by the Centre for Environmental

Theauthors, Nicholas Deakin and Clare Ungerson, base their conclusions on a study of north. Islingson, London. New towns, it is conceded, have some remarkable achievements to their credit, but they have attracted predominantly young, skilled, white workers who are

Support for the contention vital to the strength and bal-that inner areas of cities have sace of any community. While there is no evidence

of overt discrimination, there is no doubt that enhalt minoriis no doubt that ethnic minorities are under represented in the new and expanding towns, the authors say. According to the 1971, census only 1.1, percent of the population of eight first-generation new, towns were of New Commonwealth origin, compared with 5.7 percent in Greater London.

Leaving London, Planed Mobility and the Inner City (Heinemann, 27.75).

#### Lord Rosslyn left suicide note, coroner told

Lord Rosslyn, aged 60, who was found dead from gunshot wounds in woods near his home in Berkshire a week ago, left a suicide note it was stated at an inquest at Maidenbead yes-

rerday.

Part of the note, in his handwriting, said: "I have so many problems and decisions to take, problems and decisions to take, even if some of them are magnified in my mind, I ask forgiveness of those who love me and who have tried to help."

Mr Robert Wilson, the East Berkshire Coroner, recorded a verdict of suicide.

### Racial discrimination on mortgages alleged

Building societies are said by the Commission for Racial Equality to be applying "mort-gage discrimination" against

ethnic minorities. Mr David Lane, chairman of the commission, said in Leeds yesterday that building societies have a responsibility to give mortgages to those qualified to receive them.

"We are disturbed that building societies tend to look unfavourably on applications for houses where ethnic minorities are concentrated", he said. Not only had local authorities to be fair allocating houses but the building societies also had a responsibility to be fair in giv-

ing mortgages,

"It is a disturbing fact that building societies look very unfavourably on giving mortgages in areas where there are concen-trations of ethnic minorities, in spite of the fact that houses they would otherwise have mortgaged are still available in these areas in large numbers."

Mr Lane said building societies in different parts of the ties in different parts of the country had a policy of not agreeing to mortgages in cer-

Mr Lane spoke of the activities of the National Front in schools and said there would be a special meeting in London tomorrow. "We are organizing activities against these thoroughly pernicious, evil

On employment, Mr Lane said the North-east had traditionally been an area of high unemployment and that was made worse for workers from ethnic minorities who, because of direct and indirect racial discrimination, suffered propor-

"It is our intention to do all we can to encourage employers, both to the private and public sectors, to adopt policies of equal opportunity in recruit-

ment, appointment and promo-tion", he said. "We cannot but help notice that after 30 years of immigra-tion a large body of people from the minority groups still work in the mills, where night shifts are common; on the buses, where split shifts are common; and in foundries and the charge of the state of the common is and in foundries and the common is and in foundries and the common is a state of the common in the chemical industry, where working conditions are

extremely unpleasant. Mr Ralph Srow, chairman of the Building Societies' Asociarenamely observed Mr Lane a remains on building societies as exaggerated and unfortunate. He said: "There are only two matters that we consider when dealing with mortgage applications: the report of the applications: the report of the surveyor on the property in question, and the financial status of the applicant.

"We do not ask any questions about ethnic origins and we are not aware of them."

Mr Stow said some innercity properties were not suitable for purchase, and it was possible that some immigrant groups gravitated towards very poor parts.

poor parts.

"But we do not consider the colour of a man or woman, or ethnic origins. We have a statutory obligation to carry out a survey of a property, and that is what we consider."

He said the commission had exaggerated. Its criticism was a generalization and "very unfortunate".

#### Community job | More areas get for men who had knives

Stephen Heffernan, aged 18, white man, who has been threatened with being sent to a detention centre for threatening a coloured men with a knife at the Notting His carnival, was sentenced yesterday to 60 hours community service work.

Mr Roderick Romain, the

Marylebone magistrate, had remanded Mr Heffernan, an accounts clerk, of Birch Hill, Bracknell, Berksbire, at the last hearing for reports after he had been found guilty of having an offensive weapon.

Arvel Ford, aged 18, a coloured storeman from Beth-nal Green, London, who had also been threatened with a detention centre when found guilty of threatening behaviour and having a knife at the carnivel was ordered to do 100 hours' community service work and pay £35 costs.

### work schemes for offenders

The community service scheme is being expanded on Thursday to 23 more areas in eight counties of England and Wales. The expansion, promised in the Chancellor's financial measures in October, means that the scheme will function in all or part of 55 out of 56 probation service regions of England and Wales.

The new areas will include parts of Cambridgeshire, Cornwall, Derbyshire, Northumberland, Suffolk, North Wales and Powys.

land, Suffolk, North Wales and Powys.
Under the scheme a court can make a community service order on an offender aged 17 or over who is convicted of an offence for which he could otherwise be imprisoned. If the offender covered in the offender in offender consents to the order he is required to corry out a specified number of bours on approved community work in his spare time.

## programmes

By Kenneth Gosling
The Radio and Television
Safeguards Committee, which
comprises trade union and professional bodies concerned with
broadcasting, is seeking an
urgent meeting with Sir
Brian Young, Director-General
of the Independent Broadcast of the Independent Broadcast-ing Authority, about what it calls the disproportionate amount of foreign and old cinema material appearing on British television".

The committee is concerned about "persistent rumours"
that the authority intends to
cut the quota of foreign
material from 14 to 12 per
cent, but that EEC material
will benceforth count as British and that Canadian and North American material, formerly regarded as British, will be classified as foreign. Mr Peter Plouviez, general

ecretary of Equity, the actors union, said yesterday: "We have no doubt that this Christmas will once again see both the BBC and ITV relying on old films as their main attractions." The authority agreed that discussions, still in their early

stages, were going on to see whether it would be possible to increase the amount of home-produced material, thus reducing the import of programmes.

### Anxiety over | Mental health test case imported TV may affect thousands

By Our Social Services Correspondent
An industrial tribunal hear-

test case on the rights of former psychiatric patients to employment in the private sector will open in Liverpool

sector will open in Liverpool today. The result is expected to affect most of the 180,000 patients discharged from psychiatric hospitals, many of whom seek jobs.

The tribunal will consider whether Mr Henry O'Brien was unfairly dismissed from his job as a district insurance agent after he had told his employers that he had a history of mental illness. He is being supported by Mind, the supported by Mind, the organization for mental health, which is campaigning for a Smythe, di-redical change in attitudes by yesterday. employers and the general "There as

employers and the general public towards employment for the mentally ill.

Mr. O'Brien worked for the Prudential Assurance Company for almost a year before he disclosed his medical history. Until then he had been regarded as a conscientious and reliable employee, according to Mr. Larry Gostin, Mind's legal adviser, who will represent Mr. O'Brien at the tribunal hearing.

hearing.
The disclosure that he had a history of mild mental illness, including two periods in hos-

for new pital in the 1960s, led to a stries of interviews with man-agement and to his dismissal. Mind has supported a civil By Annabel Ferriman

Servant in a similar case and he was reinstated in his job. That case led to the Prime Minister's promising to review Civil Service policy in relation to the employment of former psychiatric patients. Mind hopes that the tribunal hearing will bring similar results in private industry and com-

merce.

"If this tribunal does not find in Mr O'Brien's favour, people will understandably be reluctant to disclose their medical hisrories because of the fear that it will inevitably lead to the sack." Mr Tony, Smothe discourse of Mind evid Smythe, director of Mind, said

"There are a large number of people involved; apart from the 180,000 leaving psychiatric hospitals every year, 600,000 people are referred for specialist psychiatric treatment

each year."
Mind deals on average with two cases a week of people who believe they are discriminated against in employment because of their previous mental illnesses. Most have been in public sector jobs, but Mind believes that job discrimination is also widespread

### £7.8m plan canal link

A campaign to persuade the Government to back a £7.8m scheme for a new water transport route for South Yorkshire was launched yesterday by the British Waterways Board and South Yorkshire County County

The board wants to improve 35km of the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Navigation from Rotherham to Bramwith in order to link Rotherham and Sheffield with the Humber ports.

At present about 500,000 tons of steel, glass, wire, coal, coke, sugar and grain are carried up the waterway each year, but loads of more than 90 nons cannot go beyond Doncaster.

If 10 locks were improved five bridges widened or removed and sharp curves and other restrictions on larger craft reduced, the route would be able to take loads of 400-700 tons. It is estimated that the annual total could be increased by 2,400,000 tons.

2,400,000 tons.

The board has been told that it could qualify for a 30 per cent grant from the EEC Regional Development Fund, which would amount to £2.3m. It also estimates that the cost of bringing the neglected waterway up to the standard required by law would be another £2.4m, so the Government is being asked to provide only an extra £3m for the improvements.

Representatives from the

Representatives from the of MPs tomorrow to put their case: the Yorkshire MPs and the all-party waterways group. It is also seeking a meeting with Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, in

Mr Kenneth Sampey, deputy leader of South Yorkshire County Council, said yesterday that the council was supporting the scheme because it would attract industry to the area and attract industry to the area and might provide anything up to 7,500 jobs. For a cost equivalent to only a mile of urban motorway, it would also give an environmental uplift to a very deprived area.

Mr David McCance, general manager of the British Water-ways Board, said it had been wanting to improve the naviga-tion since 1966, but the Government had always said that the time was not right. The Government wanted a

rate of return on that scheme of 15 per cent, even though the return required on other transport infrastructure invest-



Kingston upon Thames, Survey: Orient Jewel Company 546 Oxford Street, Marble Arch, London W.L.; Selfridges, Oxford Street

London W.I.; Orient Watch Shop at Top Shop, corner of Regent Street and Oxford Street, London W.I.

#### County celebrates European links been organized, and a group of

In a few days' rime schools and colleges in Leicestershire will start celebrating a Euro-pean week which will cul-minate in the presentation to the country council on be county council of Europe, and particularly, the education department's efforts of the county of the county's commitment to the county's commitment to the county's commitment to the county's commitment to the education department's efforts of the county's county the education department's efforts of the county's county to the county t

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The pattern has been similar in the Saarland, although the links more recent. Leicester-shies children ment and a week

Year 2,600 children from Lei-cestershire spent a week at the

Regional report

in fostering knowledge of the youngsters to learn the lan-Emopean Community. guages, but it also helps enor-Franco-German cheese and mously in European studies if European Community.

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in 1969 and the West German from school contacts, there has one in 1973. Mr Andrew Fairbairn, the director of educanumber of twinning arrange-

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secondary school head teachers would soon spend a week in the Saarland to study the secondary school system there. A return visit would be paid by West German teachers.
Plans were in hand for exchange visits by youth groups and youth leaders. As with France, there had been cultural links; recently, Leicestershire musicians had participated in several concerts in. pared in several concerts, including a performance in Bonn which was broadcast live by West German radio. A drama group had put on a series of performances in the Saarland.

Mr Fairbairn cominued: "There now exist official links with the Seine Maritime and Scarland, both of which have been sealed by documents rigned in ceremonies in Leicuster, Rouen, and the Saarland. These are declarations of intent signed by our chairman, the Prefect of the Seine Mar-inme, and the minister of education in the Saarland. The education links are part of a broader interest shown by Lei-cestershire in establishing international contacts, of which the most obvious manifestation was the staging in Leicester—

A cost-benefit analysis reflect-

Pouring the last academic working alongside children was the staging in Lekester from Lei-from Saarbrucken in a resident shire last year of Europa Cantat VI, the largest thorst features.

The centre was used by four festival for young singers in nundred local pupils during Europe, which attracted well over 2,000 Europeans to sing this and the West German said that teachers' courses had for 10 days in Lekester."

A cost-benefit analysis reflecting wider advantages to the area of the scheme had indicated a return of 19-20 per cent, but the actual financial return was assessed at 10-11 per cent.

From Peter Nichols Rome, Nov 28 Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish party leader, arrived here today on a visit to which

He was met at the airport by Signor Giulio Andreotti, the Italian Prime Minister. He will see the Pope on Thursday after his official visit to Italy has ended. It will be the first time that a Polish party leader has been to the Vatican.

hostility between Warsaw and the Vatican. In part, the promise of better relations is due to internal problems in Poland. particularly economic problems.

Navarra

on Basque

From Our Correspondent

tension there between

pro-Madrid and pro-Basque

ractions.

The Basque separatist organization ETA assassinated the local chief of the National security police in the provincial capital, Pampiona on Saturday night. The extremist street although it was set to be a secured to the capital of the security of the security

strack, although it was con-demned by the main political parties of the Basque country, was the spark which set off

was the spark which set our anti-Basque demonstrations on Sunday and today, involving as many as 2,000 people at a time. The demonstrations reflected

e division of opinion among residents of the province about

whether Navarra should be in-cluded in the Basque region,

which is about to win pro-visional home rule, or whether

the province should continue to be an administrative dependency

tive purples have any appreciable strength.

rhroughout the afternoon in-Pamplona today, after the funeral of Major Joaquin Imaz.

who was shot dead by Basoue terrorists on the day on which

Rasque members of Spain's democratically elected Parlia-

ment gave their approval to the text that will grant pro-visional home rule to the

to the security police forces poured fuel on the fire with a sermon in which he alleged

that such an assassination would not have taken place during General Franco's rule

and praised the tough security

police as " guardians of peace". After the funeral, demonstra-

tors marched to the offices of the provincial government,

where officials acceded to their angry demands to display the Spanish and Navarra flags. The killing not only deepened

the split between centralists and home-rulers; it isolated further the extreme left wing of Basque nationalism, includ-

ing minority parties that openly support the ETA.

In a statement the Basque Socialist Party called the kill-

ing not only a crime but a political mistake "which might

induce the Navarra people to

decide against the incorpora-tion of that area into the Basque

The French Ministry of Jus-tice denied today that Herr Klaus Croissant, the lawyer for

the Baader-Meinhof group,

extradited to West Germany on November 16, had been

assaulted by warders just before leaving the Santé prison in

Paris.
One of his three French

counsel, Mme Schmidlin, who

had just returned from seeing

him in Stammheim prison, Stuttgart, told a congress of the

Syndicat de la Magistrature in Rennes that he had been beaten

and given an anaesthetic be-

cause he protested at being

extradited before his appeal

Mme Schmidlin had managed

to let him know during his transfer back to his cell that his lawyers were outside the prison, and that if attempts

were made to extradite him that

same evening, he should resist

and call for the prison director.

"He struggled against the war-ders", she said, "and was

thrown to the ground, and his

arms were pinioned. He said the appeal was ready in his

cell, and he was allowed to fetch it and hand it over to

had been heard.

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Nov 28

A military chaplain attached

continued

Demonstrations

Madrid.

the central Government in

divided

issue

Gierek that help from the Church is essential to his Government. took place on October 29. This was the first meeting between the cardinal and a leader of the

more tangible results of the years. Vatican's patient diplomacy in The

been to the Vatican.

Still wants to see more progress left for Moscow where he 1976.

Most of the past three decades have been marked by hostility between West of the past three can be regarded as normal, and hostility between West of the Point attended the sixtleth anniver.

The visit is also one of the Communist Party for seven

much importance is attached both for Polish-Italian relations and because of the unprecedented call he will make on the Pope.

Yatican's patient diplomacy in The official communique tast Europe aimed at giving stated that they had exchanged the Roman Catholic Church the points of view "on the most necessary freedom in which to important problems of the work. In the meantime, the nation and the church which the points of the policy higher than the points of the nation and the church which the policy higher than the policy of the work. In the meantime, the nation and the church which rest of East Europe, the Church Polish bishops, led by Cardinal have capital importance for the work of agreements with the Polish of the Poles in the work of the construction of prosperity aut. or idea, the latest in 1971.

While such has proved in the work of the construction of prosperity Poles are Catholic. It is estimated that 70 out of 100 young While each has proved in-creasingly favourable to the Church's position, the Vatican Shortly afterwards, Mr Gaerek from 4,088 in 1971 to 4,500 in

ceived by the Pope on November

The cardinal naturally would have wanted to give a complete account at the Vatican of his dealings with the Polish authorities well in advance of Mr Gierek's arrival.
Unlike the situation in the

Because of this strength and the identification of Cathoformally recognized as such.

The crucial meeting at which reporting on his religious policy nationhood the Catholic Church Mr Gierek and Cardinal to the Russians. The Polish in Poland has not been reduced Wyszynski discussed the possibilities of a degree of cooperation in the national interest to the Vatican and were reworded to the formally recognized with the communist ation in the national interest to the Vatican and were reworded the formally recognized with the communist to the Vatican and were reworded in the communist to the Vatican and were re-

### Herr Kohl strengthens his position

Madrid Nov 28
The conservative National Alliance Party today published an appeal to Spain's political leaders to prevent strife in the northern province of Navarra after a political killing height-

rolourless.

Several leading Opposition
members found it necessary to
embpasize that his position and
future candidacy for the ChanNevertheless Herr Strauss,
Nevertheless Herr Strauss, cellorship were undisputed. At this point, Herr Fritz Zimmer-

seem as a strategically powerful ever, during his recent visit to position from which to lay a Chile when expressions of sym-

reconcile different interests in the party and appeal to a pools of votes which could much wider spectrum of the make all the difference, given the called a superfluous what it called a superfluous the distillation of the make all the difference, given the narrow massing the nar

a: least for the time being to who arouses as much distille as what it called a superfluous, he does admiration.

unfounded and damaging dispute between supporters of the two men.

The argument had developed and many believe he would be inadvertently out of mounting criticism of Herr Kohl's leader opposition leader. He certainly ship which it reached the enjoys the confidence of the criticism of Herr Kohl's leadership, which is regarded by some as weak, hesitant and colourless.

Several leading Opposition Herr Strauss both in the elec-

who was extremely reluctant to mann, Bundestag leader of the leader, is seen to be in train-CSU, declared that his chief ing for a future attempt to was just as strong a potential displace him. He has been tra-tandidate as Herr Kohl. The issue reached a climax missions to improve, party last week when Herr Strauss members say, his not always announced that he would run flattering image abroad and this year for the post of Prime Minister of Bavaria. This is seen as a strategically assets.

From Patricia Clough

Bonn, Nov 28

Herr Helmut Kohl, the Bavaria. "They will not be rid Chilean Christian Democratic Opposition leader, was given his party's full support today despite earlier suggestions that Herr Franz-Josef Strauss, the Bavaria Christian Social Herr Strauss, he is probably Union leader, would make a better Opposition candidate for the Chancellarship in the 1980 in the table to the table that the colourful and irrepressible and form alliances with small moderate groups which have broken away from the Social Democrats in various places.

The aim is to "mon un"

Meanwhile, a third figure is hovering on the edge of the dispute: Herr Alfred Dregger, the CDU leader in Hesse. He is a tough-talking right winger like Herr Strauss and is seen as a possible alternative for the right wing if Herr Straussshould prove too divisive a figure to be a serious candidate. Like Herr Strauss, he has studiously avoided ruling out his becoming a candidate.

image of the Opposition just as the parties are preparing for a batch of Land elections during the coming year. Herr Kohl said in a radio interview at the weekend that quarrelling was the most stupid thing we could do at the moment."

The CDU is hoping in particular to wrest Hesse from the Social Democrats, who have Social Democrats, who have ruled there for many years, and fear losing Lower Saxony. claim for the national leadership when the time comes.

Although Herr, Strauss says
he is not climbing on the international campaign of lies
"candidates' merry go round", and slander, earned him bitter lead it in the 1980 elections.

# Madrid. Navarra once a kingdom in its own right but historically associated with the other three Easque provinces, did not form a part of the independent Basque state which was formed at the time of the Spanish civil war. Its Carlist forces fought fiercely on the side of General Franco, although the Carlist movement later became appeared by Señor Manuel Fraga Iribarne, and the Centre Democratic Union, which brought Señor Suarez, the Prime Minister, to power, have been pursuing a divide-and-conquer policy on the issue of Basque rouse and the single of Basque rouse rouse of the Spanish civil war. Its Carlist forces fought fiercely on the side of General Franco, although the Carlist movement later became appeared by Señor Manuel Fraga Iribarne, and the Centre Democratic Union, which brought Señor Suarez, the Prime Minister, to power, have been pursuing a divide-and-conquer policy on the issue of Basque rouse today began a two-week boycott of lettures to protest the minister in the carlist students are about half of West German universities and colleges are representable of Navarra the boycott of lettures to protest to german universities with the other three basque as a strategically powerful a claim for the national leader to leader the time comes. Although Herr, Strauss says which he saw as a victim of the ison the ison of candidates' merry go round", and slander, earned him to its and slander, earned him to its and colleges are representable of the size of Basque by Students at about half of West German universities and colleges are representable by the size of Basque by Students at who week by the size of the carlist provided the carlist

policy on the issue of Basoue annexation of Navarra, the only Basoue province where

tive than the conditions prevailing in many places at students who cannot bring himpresent.

It enables the academic authorities to suspend troublesome students, a power which they

rities to suspend troublesome students, a power which they iear could be abused. It has been used by two conservative Linder to abolish the local equivalent of student unions and ensure that professors have a decisive voice on teaching, research and appointments, whereas in some places, such as Bremen, students and non-teaching staff had equal weight Students picketed lecture rooms in various places and minor disturbances were reported in Cologne and Düsseldorf. Elsewhere lectures went

on as usual. The National Union of Students, which called the boycott, claimed that 120 of the 159 universities and colleges had Joined in and another 20 were planning to do so later. Support in these places was running at about 80 per cent, a spokesman said. The conservative Christian Democratic Students' Associaclaimed that the boycott

had failed.

A spokesman for the West German Rectors' Conference said that the boycott was uninstified and the students' critirisms were exaggerated. He Social Democratic Hamburg, added, however, that the conference, on which all universities decidedly more easy going.

Paris denies Croissant jail beating

tically committed—against what they regard as increasing

threats to their independence

from the Government, Yesterday the Union Syndi-cale de la Magistrature, the

more moderate of the two judges unions in France,

warned the Government at its

Rennes congress not to under-mine the status of the judiciary.

union president and a member

of the Cour de Cassation, the

highest court of appeal in France, said afterwards:

What we want is a statute

which ensures our complete independence and protects us

from any suspicion of Govern-

ment influence. Irremovability

of judges is not sufficient. We

want a hody set up which will ensure this independence."

\_ M. Braunschweig said the

Government had put the judi-

phone tapping at the offices of

the deputy governor. But when Le Canard Enchaine, the satirihe realized this would be of cal weekly: the murder, still appointed to certain posts in
no avail, he again kicked up a unsolved, of M Jean de Brogthe judicial hierarchy."

M Andre Braunschweig, the

row, and was smothered with lie, a former minister; and the

tear gas. He still bears traces expulsion from France of Mr of the blows he received then." Abu Daoud, the Palestinian The extradition of Herr leader wanted by West Ger-

Croissant has brought once many for questioning about again to the open the disquiet the Olympic Games massacre of many French judges—and by no means only of the more polimo means only o

and colleges are represented, had opposed the dissolution of

Students at about half of West
German universities and colleges today began a two-week
boycott of lectures to protest
at a federal law limiting the
number of years they may
study.

The students at about half of West
The law has dealt another
blow to the old tradition in
boycott of lectures to protest
students could take as long as
they wished, or could afford,
to study and move freely from and students assert that the one university to another to law is considerably more restrictive than the conditions prevailing in many please.

Restrictions on intake in many places in recent years have discoursped the wander-ing habit. Now students will be given only four years to com-plete their studies unless they can show good reasons why they should take longer. This

compares with an average of about six and a half years in the past. The main sim is to create more college places—theoreti-cally about 200,000—but students feel they will be channelled at high pressure through the universities without any time to broaden their studies or even to have any life of their

The law, passed by the Federal Parliament last year, is a framework legislation which the 11 Land governments are in the process of applying in their territories. Inevitably the interpretation of the law de-pends on the political views of the Land governments. The Conservative southern Länder of Bayaria and Baden-Württemberg have used it to suppress student bodies while those in

M Braunschweig felt it was

unfortunate that the Govern-

ment had not respected the

judicial system over the recent extradition case involving Herr

Klaus Croissant, the Baader-Meinhof defence lawyer. "It

could have waited a few days

for the Con-eil d'Etat to give

a ruling on the extradition ver-

counsel for Herr Croissant did

not suspend the extradinon

made by M Alain Peyrefitte,

the Minister of Justice, in an article in Le Monde on Friday. But M Braunschweig claimed

that the Covernment showed

disrespect towards the judici-

ary by acting before the Con-seil d'Etat could take a deci-

control exercised over a

this means, men on whom the

M Braunschweig said the

He agreed that the appeal by

re abandoned, at least the time being, its proposal for a new system of support for the beef market of the kind that has been allowed hitherto only in Britain.

The purpose of the Commis-

sion's proposals is to allow EEC consumers to benefit from lower shop prices when beef is in abundant supply, thus boosting consumption, and to restrict automatic support buying and the accumulation of large beef stockpiles throughout the Community.
in spite of strong support

from European consumer groups, Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, the Commissioner for Agriculture, is understood to have come to the conclusion that there is little point in trying to secure agreement for the proposed reform at the next farm-price fixing session, as originally intended.

There was an immediately

hostile response to the reform proposals from the French when they were first announced and they have run into further difficulties since then in the special committee on agriculture. The tough French attitude is thought to be dictated in part by the gen-eral election due in March. At present, in all EEC countries except Britain, intervenup beef for cold storage when market prices fall below 90 per cent of a target level. Under the reform proposed by the Commission, intervention Commission, intervention would occur at a lower level, with producers' returns being maintained by direct cash subsidies or "deficiency payments" of the British type.

### Nine end dispute over aid to

poorest nations From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, Nov 28

The EEC agreed today to contribute \$385m (about £213m) to the \$1,000m emergency aid which industrialized countrees pledged to provide to the world's poorest nations at the North-South dialogue in Paris in June.

Agreement was reached with difficulty because of a dispute among the Nine over the conditions to be attached to the aid before it is transferred to the International Development Association.
Under a compromise, the

money will go to an agreed list of 35 countries with a per capita income of \$280 or less, and no more than 50 per cent can go to any one continent or 20 per cent to any one country. The second condition answers French fear s taht most of the aid would be given to Asia, and particularly India, instead of former French coloneis in Africa.

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### Professor's evidence on causes of Biko death

From Nicholas Ashford Pretoria, Nov Z8
The eleventh day of the inquest on Steve Biko, the South
African Black Consciousness

leader, dwelt largely on detailed medical evidence concerning the exact cause of his

In his second day of evidence, Professor Neville Proctor, one of South Africa's most respected and experienced neuropathologists, said there could be no doubt that Mr Biko's death while in police custody was caused by head injury, although he might have actually died of the compli-cations that arose from this. So far as he was aware, on the evidence placed before him, these complications would not have set in had head injury not occurred. Among the complications he named were uraemia, kidney failure and swelling of the brain (edema).

Under cross-examination by Mr P. R. Van Rooyen, counse for the police, Professor Proctor, who is head of the depart ment of pathology at the University of the Witwatersrand, said he had come to the conclusion after examining Mr Biko's brain that more tran caused the head injury. He agreed he could not be 100 per cent certain about this, how-

ever.

I had it clear in my mind that it clear in my mind that more than one application of force was involved, but I reached no definite conclusion", he said. This was why he had not mentioned this matter in a report he submitted to a group of doctors, including the chief state pathologist, on

Professor Proctor added that the group of doctors discussing the post-morrem examination on Mr Biko decided to leave the question open whether one or more blows were involved. This was why it was decided to

write in the post-morrem report that death was due to head injury and not to a head injury or head injuries.

During his cross-examination Professor Proctor was asked by Mr Van Rooyen whether a member of the medical team retained by the Biko family had gone oversess to "glean" had gone overseas to "glean information" on the mechanics of contra coup head injuries of the kind described in the post-mortem report on Mr Biko's death. He replied that he did

France kills

At this point Mr Sydney Kentridge, courtsel for the Bikto family, interjected to say that the subject of the overseas journey had bettn mentioned by him only in "confidential consultations and private telephone calls". He would be interested to know the source of Mr Van Rooyen's information. "No doubt he has available an extensive network which can give him this information." which can give him this mation", he added. Mr Van Rooyen siad he did

not wish to draw any "sinis-ter" conclusions from the overseas trip. The matter was not taken any further.

Later during today's hearing
Dr Andries van Zyl, the Pro-

Dr Andries van Zyl, the Pre-toria district surgeon who examined Mr Biko on Sep-tember 12, the day he died, told the inquest that he was not aware that Mr Biko had shown signs of brain damage when examined in Port Eliz-abeth. Mr Biko was taken from Port Elizabeth, to Pretoria by raod some 14 hours before he died. Under cross-examination by Mr Kentridge, Dr van Ayl said

Mr Biko was in a "bad condition" when he saw him in Pretoria prison hospital. No one had told him that Mr Biko was in need of urgent care. The was a drip and vitamin injec-



A museum director admires the tusks of a mammoth found during drainage work on a collective farm near Kirov in the Soviet Union.

### Lawyers' warning on Soviet trials

Nov 28.-Western and Mr Anatoly Shcharansky, lwyers acting for prominent the Jewish mathematician, told Soviet dissidents said in Rome the hearings they had been re-Soviet dissidents said in Rome today that they would hold parallel trials in London and New York if they were barred from defending their jailed clients in Moscow.

They were giving evidence on the last day of the Second International Sakharov Hearings a Consensational Sakharov Hearings a Consensational Sakharov

ings, a Copenhagen-based com mittee named after Dr Andrei Sakharov, the Soviet Nobel prize winner, to monitor human rights in East Europe.

"If I am not allowed to go to Moscow I will prove at a public trial in London that my client is innocent", Mr John Macdonald, defending Mr Yuri Orlov, told the hearings. Mr Orlov, arrested in Moscow last February, was the founder of the unofficial Soviet committee set up in 1976 to watch compli-ance with the 1975 Helsinki document on human rights.

Lawyers acting for two other members of the Helsinki watch group, Mr Alexander Ginzburg

fused visas to go to Moscow to work on the defence.

Mr Gregory Craig, one of the American lawyers acting for Mr Ginzburg, said that a public trial was planued in New York if the Soviet authorities refused representation in Moscow.

M Daniel Jacobi, a French lawyer, said that his client, Mr Shcharansky, was facing charges of treason under article 64 of the Soviet penal code which carries a possible death sen-"We have twice been refused

a visa and have learnt that our clinet has only a lawyer if he pleads guilty," M Jacobi said. Mr Burton Hall, a lawyer from New York, said that he was expelled from the Soviet Union last month when he tried in Moscow to establish contact with the mother of Mr Alexan-Sergeenko, another jailed

Orlor case had made world opinion aware of the fact that the Soviet authorities did not even respect their awa

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He expected that Mr Orlov would be released in a few weeks under the provisions of the recent amnesty. "This is the price the Soviet

Government is going to have to pay if it wishes detente to continue." Mr Macdonald added a quote from Senator Robert Dole, of the United States: "If the Soviet Union is not prepared to respect basic human rights. let them eat their own wheat." The wives of Mr Orlov and Mr Ginzburg smuggled taped pleas for Western support to the closing session of the Rome

hearings.

Mrs Ginzburg said that she feared for her husband's life because he was suffering from a gastric ulcer and tuberculosis. at the time o this arrest last February.—Reuter and AP.

### Mission to heal rift in Arab world

Kuwait and Saudi Arabia are embarking on a joint mission to prevent a deterioration of relations among the Arab countries, which are bitterly divided over President Sadat's overtures to Israel.

Announcing this yesterday, Shaikh Sabah al-Ahmad, Foreign Minister of Kuwait, did not say when the mission would begin. bur he hoped its representations would bear fruit. He said Kuwait had been invited to the anti-Sadat meeting in Tripoli this week, but had not yet decided whether to attend.

Iraq has also proposed an Arab summit of the countries opposed to President Sadat's peace efforts, to be told in Baghdad next week, the Iraqi

Organization and the Rejection

meeting this week with leaders of Syria, Algeria, South Yemen, the PLO and Libya.

sentatives. A senior Foreign Ministry ource in Cairo described

and Lebanon.

news agency reported.

The agency said the proopsed talks would include representatives of Algeria, Libya, South:
Yemen, the Palestine Liberation

A Lebanese newspaper repor-ted yesterday that Iraq had decided to attend the Tripoli-

Egypt and Israel appear be the only two countries likely to attend the meeting in Cairo next Saturday called by Presi-dent Sadat to prepare for a

contact between the Egyptian and Israeli permanent repre-

Saturday5s meeting as a "mini-Geneva" at the level of experts rather than ministers. It would be "informal" and not bound be "informal" and not contain by procedures of the Genera conference "otherwise it would "The agenda will be discussed and prepared by the participants", the source said. He drew attention to the fact that the "imni-Geneva" had been enlarged to include the PLO

Asked whether Egypt had invited Palestinians on the West Bank of the River Jordan and in the Gazz strip, he said: "No, the invitation for the conference was sent only to the PLO. It is their problem to sort

out who, if any, will attend." Jordan announced last night that it could attend Saturday's meeting only if the talks were attended by all the parties to the Middle East conflict. Similarly, Jordan would attend the Tripoli meeting only if all the Arab states took prat.

Earlier King Husain had praised the "great courage" of President Sadat and said Egypt's initiatives had broken down barriers that bindered a

received an invitation from Cairo for Saturday's meeting, but said no decision had been made on Beirut's reply. Government sources said it was virtually certain Lebanon would not attend and would also avoid the Tripoli meeting.

"When the Arabs disagree, we stand to the side", a government source said. "We want to stay neutral in this,"

President Carter and Mr.
Vance, the American Sourceay of State, yesterday discussed the latest Middle East peace moves. Mr. Judy Powell, the White House press socretary, said Mr. Carter Feels the United States can move toward its gozis of peace in the Middle East "most appropriately by maintaining a lower profile and working quietly behind the

going, it may not be important whether the Geneva conference gets under way before Janu-ary", Mr Powell said. In Damascus, President Assid said differences between Syria and Egypt did not mean ties between them had been totally ruptured. Answering a question, he said "divorce" was the wrong word to use in the

"We have different points of dent Sadat to prepare for a Genera peace conference.

Genera peace conference.

Egypt's invitation to Israel

was handed by its permanent representative to the United Nations in New York, Dr Ismat Abdel-Meguid, to Israel's permanent depresentative, Mr. Fuad Butros, the Leban
permanent depresentative, Mr. Sand prevent a Mr. Fuad Butros, the Leban
esse Foreign Minister, yesterday view on the methods for work
ing for peace," he said. "We believe a great and dangerous mistake has been made and we are still opposed to the Egyptian direction which will prolong the conflict."

### Guerrilla camp bombed again on second day

Continued from page 1

"I rolled and rolled across the ground and hid under a bush and then a bomb dropped bush and then a bomb dropped on the spot where I had just been. I rolled again and fell into a pit and broke my arm. I had to leave my gun.
"Now people were running in all directions and helicopters were firing at random and the iets were moving up and down. The attack seemed to start on our headquarters and on Base No 2 simultaneously. We walked

and walked. The last two iers that day came about 6 o'clock."

By now a group of about 240

They bedded down in the bush and at 4 o'clock they started walking again. Many had to be carried. They reached Chimoio about 8 o'clock that evening. No one remembers clearly how many jets and helicopters took part in the attack. Several of the men talked of seven helicopters.

After the first bombing, Rhodesian troops started landing by parachute and from helicopters. Survivors said they began shooting all over the place and fired at children who had been at their classes when the attack began. The camp clinic was shot up and few of the patients got away. For was away in Maputo, so the periods the fighting was clinic director, Dr Danuela

extremely fierce, with some black Rhodesians using panga-like weapons, chopping out at the Zimbabweans. On the second day, Thursday, the bombers returned at 5.45 am and helicopters were again seen moving around the area seen moving around the scen several times. At one point around midday at least seven plumes of smoke could be seen from Chimoio.

As the injured were rounded up on the edge of the town they were picked up by Chimoio's small, neat ambulances and taken to the local hospital. The director of the hospital

For her it was not a new experience. Last year she had helped to tend the victims of the Nyazonia attack when about 700 refugees were killed.

In her hospital the injured were lying everywhere. In the emergency casualty room—not much bigger than a large sitring room—a woman was face down on a couch while a bollet was extracted from her but-tocks. Another woman, builet wounds in the chest, lay on the floor, still on the stretcher made of branches of a tree, on which she bad been carried through the bush. @ 1977 Gemini News Service

### Zimbabweans, many of them wounded had gathered rogether. Mr Karamanlis names his new Cabinet

whose New Democracy won a pose.
majority of parliamentary seats

Ear in the Greek elections on November 20, set up his new Cabinet today. The ministers took the oath of office in the presence of President Tsatsos this evening.

The most important appoint-

ment was that of Mr Constantine Papaconstantinou, one of Mr Karamanlis's most trusted collaborators and former President of Parliament, to the hitherto vacant post of Deputy Prime Minister. It is a move that seems to settle, for the time being at least, the problem of party succession.

Another significant move is the appointment of Mr George Kondoylorgis as Minister in charge of the negotiations with from the party leadership and the EEC in conjunction with proclaimed him honorary Mr Panavoris Papaligouras, chairman.

From Our Own Correspondent who was moved from the Athens, Nov 28

Mr Constantine Karamanlis Foreign Ministry for this pur-

government as leader of the majority party. This was the seventh government to be formed by Mr Karamanlis. He has completed

a total of 12 years as Prime Minister after winning a parliamentary majority in five general elections. He has been in politics for 43 years. While the new Government was being formed the parliamentary group of the Democratic Centre Union, which lost its position as the main Opposition party, accepted the resignation of Mr George Mayros

sor. There are two candidates Earlier Mr Karamanlis sub- so far: Mr John Pesmazoglou, mitted his government's resignation to President Tsatsos
who asked him to form a new
minister who was jailed during the dictatorship.

The new Cabinet is: Prime Minister: Constanting Kara-Deputy Premier: Constantine
Panaconstanting
Coordination and Planning: George Laborativa de la labora inicalis Affairs: Panagolis Papali Inicalis: Christopheros Strates, mabite Order: Anastasios Baltes, finance: Yiamis Boutos, frada; Gerrye Panayotopoulos, industry: Mittadis, Evert, Public Works: Nikos Zardinidis, Shipping: Emananel Kristoylemats Agriculture: Albancalos Telladouros Labour; Canstantine Labouros Canstantine Labouros Garres Garres Garreste Strictions.

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onorae.
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Northern Greece: Nicolary Martis.
Northern Greece: Nicolary Martis.
Without Porticie (SEL Affair):
George Kondoylorgis.
There are 21 under-secretaries. its. 11 Services : Sprros Dustadis. Mares of Prime Minister's office

#### Former Bhutto minister's sentence quashed

The Sind High Court is Karachi today set aside the con-viction of Mairaj Mohammad Khan, a former federal Minister of State, who was sentenced by a special tribunal to four years imprisonment for making an objectionable speech in

january, 1975. Mr Mairaj, who used to be one of two closest political aides of Mr Bhutto, was sent for trial by the former Prime Minister after he had opposed some of his political moves and foreign politics.

The High Court accepted Mr Maicar's appeal for quashing the special eribunal verdict and ruled that there had been a miscarriage of Jus-

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sion.

ciary in a difficult position in judge's career was a very sub-riree recent cases: the tele-

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**Ethiopia** 

for attack

Nairobi, Nov 28.—After some of the heaviest fighting in the

five-month war between Ethiopia and Somalia, the mountain citadel of Harer was

reported today to be calm and firmly under Ethiopian control.

Diplomatic sources in Addis Ababa said there were indica-tions that an all-out Ethiopian

counter-offensive against the Somali forces in Ethiopia's Ogađen region was imminent. Meanwhile, Somalia opened diplomatic drive on two

fronts in n apparent effort to win political, economic and

military support in the wake of its decision to expel the Soviet military advisers two weeks ago. Diplomats in Addis Abada

said they were able to contact

said they were able to contact the city to Harer several times during the weekend and the city was reported to be quiet. They said the level of fighting aroun dthe mountain fortress ha dfallen off sharply since last Wednesday, when Somali forces launched a powerful thrust to contact the cotten.

While reports of fighting in the streets of Harer appeared to have been true, the diplomats said it was not clear whether Somali forces were able to break through th ancient crenellated walls of the town or

at Harer

poised

Tekeo Fukuda, the and the country's deteriorating splitting partners, dismissed his Calinet this morning and impediately inducted a team immediately inducted a team of economic experts into his new Council of Ministers.

After being sworn in at the imperial palace this afternoon, the new Cabinet met for the first time tonight, ostensibly to park out additional means of additional means of additional means of

educing Japan's massive and embarrassing trade surplus this year. The rising value of the yen is threatening to plunge, the economy, dominated by an increasingly uncompetitive export industry, into a deeper recession.

There is also growing apprehension that the United States and Europe might ston introduce protective measures to contain Japanese exports. Several respected economists, businessment and religiousies. Several respected economists, businessmen and politicians, including the Prime Minister, have declared publicly that Japan is now entering a critical phase of economic tension, reminiscent of the era preceding the Second World War.

Prominent newspapers have gone so far as to suggest that gnoe so far as to suggest that
"ide nations", such as the
United States, Britain and
other West European countries, might evenually encircle

While Japan's growing appre-hensions are not likely to lead to an immediate or dramatic crisis, there can be little doubt that Mr Fukuda's new Cabiner-will have to take some decisive steps within the next few weeks.

resident Carter's special frade representative. Mr Robert Strauss, is expected to arrive in Tokyo next month to discuss Japan's trade surplus. During the past month American officials recisions relief. cials, visiting politicians and businessmen have warned Japan that demands for protectionism might grow out of hand unless Japan takes drastic steps to import more manufactured

Mr Fukuda retained only two members of the previous Cabinet in his new Council of Ministers. Two economic experts were given key posts.

Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, a oureauxrat turned politician, a farmer Minister of International Trade and Industry and a former Foreign Minister, takes over the Economic Planning

career diplomat and former Ambassador to the United States, essumes the newly created post of State Minister for External Economic Affairs. One of the Prime Minister's closest confidantes, Mr Sunao Sunoda, aged 65, replaces Mr

the portfolio for International Irade and Industry and Mr Iassuo Mu ayana, a former bureaucrat from the Finance Ministry, takes over as Japan's new Minister for Finance.

Mr Fukuda is reported to have told the Cabinet tonight that the economy, hat by a slow-down in donestic demand and a decline in methinm-sized exports, holds out little roam for optimism. He tited the main problems as trade relations with the United States, growing un-

problems as trade relations with the United States, growing un-employment and a continuing slump in the economy.

Prices on the Tokyo stock exchange shot upwards today. However, many independent economists described the Prime Minister's move as a cosmetic solution to Japan's internal and experned trade problems. West-ern diplomars were also scepti-cal whether new faces in the trading partners with hope.

### Dispute over cyclone disaster

Delhi, Nov 28

pected sabotage.

As casualties in the Andhra Pradesh cyclone disaster rise to

Extra security precautions

began today on .Indian rail-

ways, power stations, telecom-

munication installations and

places of strategic import-

ance" after a decision by the

Government to combat sus-

Three serious incidents have

about 20,000, the political con-troversy between the Janata Party and the Congress Farty The Andhra Pradesh Govern-

ment, run by the Congress Party, says that it has done its best in the circumstances while the Janata Party central gov-ernment has said that the state Government has "lost the confidence of the people". Mr

Minister, has denied this and has blamed the central Gov-Andhra Pradesh is due to go

to the polls in March to elect the new state Government. The Congress Party's credibility was damaged today when Mr M. V. Krishna Rao, the Andhra Pradesh Education Minister, submitted his resigna-tion from the Cabinet on the

tion with the state Government, has entrusted the Army with the task of rehabilitation. Up to two million people have been made homeless. The Army Engineer Corps is to build thousands of houses for the

whether fifth-column sympathi-zers had started the fighting from within, Harar has a large community of ethnic Somalis. The diplomats said the out-come of the battle for Harar

capture the town.

was far from certain. Although the level of fighting has de-cressed, it was unclear if the Somali drive had been blunted. "There does not seem to be a significant danger that the city will fall", one Western diplomat said.

Foreign medical personnel stationed in Harer, mainly Russians and Cubans, were evacuated, but this seemed to represent a precautionary measure rather than a fear of imminent danger, the sources added.

However, in Mogadishu a
Somali guerrilla leader today
claimed victory in the battle

for Harer.
Mr Abdullabi Hassan
Mohamed, the secretary-general
of the Western Somalia Liberation Front (WSLF), told repor-ters: "The WSLF has absolute control of Harer and the sur-

rounding area."

There has been no official communique from the Western Somali Liberation Front be-cause diplomatic sources in Mogadishu believe there were still pockets of resistance around the town where defensive lines were up to six miles deep.—UPI, Reuter and Agence France Presse.



Flood survivors wait in the ruins of the only building still standing for a helicopter bringing emergency food supplies.

India tightens up security to fight sabotage

### Bomb scene police manhandled

From Our Correspondent Ankara, Nov 28

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The Ankara flat of Professo Nuri Saryal, Rector of the Mid-dle East Technical University, was bombed today. The explo-sion broke windows but no one was injured. Right-wing mili-tants were thought to be

ettack took The attack took place despite the presence of half a dozen policemen round the building. Neighbours said they saw several young men char-ting with the officers immediagely after the bombing. They shouted for them to be They shouted for mem to be held, but the youths jumped into a car and drove away. It was the eighth bomb

attack in two months against the university staff and the second against Mr Sarya). Mr Saryal later said that

irate wimesses manhandled the policemen on the scene for their apparent unwillingness to detain the alleged bombers.

From Patrick Brogan

A new quarterly magazine has been launched by the Georgepown University Centre for Strategic and International

Studies. It is called the Wash-

ington Review and its editors

boldly proclaim that it will become the main forum for

the discussion of foreign policy

the discussion of foreign policy in the United States.

This is an ambitious undertaking. The review is challenging Foreign Affairs, the weighty quarterly put out by the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, and the trendy Foreign Policy published by the Carnegie Endowment here. It will also contend with the publications of other think tanks and university centres for the study of foreign policy.

It is all part of the expansion

It is all part of the expansion of the CSIS as an institu-tion, which in turn is a sign of the general ferment in think tanks generally. Every time there is a change of adminis-tration, members and former members of the strift, of such

members of the staffs of such bodies as the Brookings Insti-

tution, the Rand Corporation and the Carnegie Endowment,

not to mention such groups as the Trilateral Commission and tht Council on Foreign Affairs,

Te pulled into the new Government.

They are replaced by those

whose jobs have suddenly ignored by the press usually come to an end and who crisis blows up. There is thereprefer academic life to indicately—and by a new crop of nerd Lewis on Turkey and an bright young people whose article on Cuba.

Washington, Nov 28

### Debrett's stumbles in quest for Carter roots

New York, Nov 28

Debrett's Peerage and Baron-etage, once the most dignified of British institutions, has be-come involved in a commoversy come involved in a controversy bere which, while basically foolish, could harm its long-established reputation. It derives from the purchase last year of the guide to the aristocracy by a group led by an American, Mr Harold Brooks-Baker, and its subsequent attempt to expend its operations

attempt to expend its operations in the United States.

The firm has entered the fashionable field of persual genealogy, tracing people's roots as far back as they can be established. To launch its operation here with a suitablu faufare, Debrett's decided to investigate the genealogy of the nation's top person, President

In the summer the firm an-nounced that the President's

A new magazine has joined the ranks of publications

Ferment in academic think tanks

names will suddenly become familiar next time there is a change of administration and

the process is repeated.

The CSIS caught one of the falling stars of the Nixon-Ford

years, Dr Henry Kissinger, who chose Georgetown University as his base of operations upon leaving office. The American Enterprise Institution, which is equally ambitious, had to make do with former President Ford.

do with former President Ford.

Dr Kissinger contributes a long interview to the first issue of the Washington Review on the theme of the lessons to be learned from the European balance of power over the past 150 years. The magazine's editor, Mr Michael Ledeen, believes that busy people who might never find the time (or inclination) to plough through a dozen pages

plough through a dozen pages of Dr Kissinger's deuse prose will be ready to read an inter-

view.
The calculation is probably

correct. The former Secretary of State has a lot of interesting

things to say and he marshals his thoughts clearly and, of

course, he knows what he is talking about when he is on

the subject of Metternich or the Bismarck reich.

the Washington Review estab-lishes itself. It wants to pro-

vide an up-to-date analysis of events and to report on coun-

tries whose doings are usually

It will be some time before

devoted to discussion of American foreign policy

Dr William Kelso of the Virginia Research Ceitre for

ment which caused trouble. Dr Kelso declared that it was not true. He said that only the general area of the plantation had been located and there was no immediate plan to start digging. The press announcement was, he added, "slightly mis-leading". Debrett's now admits as much

It says that although the rough boundaries of the plantation have been established, one or nave been established, one or two of its dimensions are in doubt. More important, the site of the farmbouse, where ex-cavaton would be carried out, has not been found yet. The announcement of the imminent start of digging was he prema-

ant, the mistake was reported at some length in the New York policemen on the scene for their apparent unwillingness to detain the alleged bombers.

Mr Durmus Yalcin, the Governor of Ankara, said this evening that the five police and one night watchman posted round the rector's house were taken off duty pending an administrative investigation into their conduct.

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The CSIS, like the efficient think tank it is, does much more then produce occasional articles and reviews and teach the elements of foreign affairs to Georgetown University's graduate students. It has an energy project which was well chead of the field when the energy crisis broke upon the world, and it is the forum for Dr Ray Cline's World Power Assessment.

Dr Cline is a former assist-ant director of the Central

ant director of the Central Intelligence Agency and he now devotes himself to applying statistical, military and economic criteria to weigh up the relative strengths of nations and groups of nations.

He has invented a new technique, which he calls poly-tectonics: just as the various continents press against each other, producing earthquakes and volcanoes, so the groups of powers in the world press upon each other. It is a resher inti-

each other. It is a rather inti-

midaring exercise.

### Call to raise whale

kill quota Sydney, Nov 28.-Japan and the Soviet Union have persnaded scientists of the Inter-national Whaling Commission (IWC) to recommend a 745 per cent increase in the annual kill quota of North Pacific sperm whales, a commission

member said today. Mr Jean-Paul Forton-Gouin, who represented Panama at last June's IWC annual meeting in Canberra, told a news conference that the commission's scientific committee, which met in Sydney last week, had recommended the quota should be increased to

The 16-nation commission cut the North Pacific sperm whale quota from 7,200 to 763 for the coming season only five mouths ago in order to preserve stocks.

6,444.

But Japan and the Soviet But Japan and the Soviet Union—supported by Iceland—called for a review of the cur under IWC rules and presented new information on sperm whale stocks at last week's meeting. The committee's recommendation to raise the quota is to be considered at a full meeting of the IWC in Tokyo on December 6

Protests against the recommended increase have already

Protests against the recommended increase have already been lodged by Australian eivarion groups. If the increase is endorsed in Tokyo, it is expected to renew worldwide protests against the hunting and killing of whales.

The IWC announced an overall cut of 36 per cent in kull quotas for next year at its June meeting, reducing the total world kills of all types of whales by more than 10,000.

The biggest cut was for North Pacific sperm whales. Japan and the Soviet Union opposed the reduction, fearing their big whaling fleets would be forced to abandon operations in the region.—Reuter. The CSIS thus covers the whole front, from highly technical analysis of strategic problems to charty interviews in a magazine designed for easy This diversity may be the centre's greatest strength. Mr Ledeen claims that Foreign Affairs has lost its curing edge because its every issue achieves the same standards of duli and respectable conformity. Something of the same sort might be said about the Brookings Inci.

station at Hardunganj, Uttar Pradesh. A fire on Friday which was clearly intentional damaged a unit of All-India Radio in Delhi, destroying all the tapes of talks recorded during the 19 months of the

Mr Charan Singh, the Home Minister, announced after a Cabinet meeting last night the setting up of a special central investigating team to inquire Twenty people were killed last sabotage, so as to find out Wednesday when the Ahmeda-bad-Delhi mail express tram features and eliminate possible

sabotage. The only successful Marg, a fanarical sect which one was at Rewari when the ras beeen agitating for the engine and 10 coaches overturned.

Mr Singh said in a statement in the accident.

that only vigilance on the part of the citizens to thwart the attempts could strengthen the Government's hand "without any risk of creating a police state". He also cautioned against undue alarm.

Railwaymen are tenned with the Janata Govern-ment because the end of Mrs Indira Gandhi's emergency has

not brought them the benefits they expected. Pay is the chief against undue alarm.

Mr George Fernandes, the Prime Minister, decided Minister of Industry, an a weekend speech accused "elite elements" of resisting change and trying to embarrass the Janata Government by creating the emergency and which was promised them by Janata Government by creating Mr Madhu Dandavate, the economic and public order problems.

Home Ministry officials are about 1,900 rupees (£126) a

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Upper Volta votes for return to civilian rule

Ouagadougou, Nov 28 .-Upper Voltans have voted over-melmingly in a referendum for a new constitution that should lead to a return to Civilian government after almost 12 years of military rule.

With results in today from 2.557 of the country's 2.991 polling stations, voting figures were: for, 1,691,167: against, 22,388. There were 14,446 spoiled votes.

Under the plan to hand the

country back to civilian rule, legislative and presidential elecions should be held within six months of adoption of the new

### Patrol boat sails to stop refugee ship

Darwin, Nov 28 .- An Australian Navy patrol boat sailed hulled trawler reported to and those responsible for seiz teday with orders to intercept for Darwin with more more than 180 people on board.

An Indonesian port spokes-man said in Jakarta earlier today that the trawler, Song Be 12, left the Indonesian port of Surabaya last Tuesday with 175 refugees and seven cap-tered Vietnamese guards.

It had arrived in Surabaya on November 17, but Indonesia refused the refugees permission to land, the Jakarto spokesman said. It took on food and f food and fuel and set sail for

a Vietnamese trawler heading £140,000, was expected to arrive in Darwin tomorrow. It was spotted in the Timor Sea earlier today by an Australian Air Force tracker aircraft about 250 miles north-east of

said about the Brookings Insti-tution, leaving an opening for

The vessel's imminent arrival presented the Government

with a potential diplomatic headache to add to its growing concern over the increased flow of refugees arriving in Australia from South-east Asia.

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have been recently recondi-ing it. Foreign affairs sources tioned in Vietnam at a cost of in Canberra said Australia was f140.000. was expected to anxious to avoid a diplomatic The arrival of an apparently endless stream of Vietnamese

> refugees has broken Darwin a spirit of hospitality. At first they were welcome and were regarded as home-less people prepared to run a gauntlet of hazards to reach

the comparative safety of Darwin harbour. But now that more than 700 have arrived, It seemed certain that if the this spirit of camaraderie has

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Special Reports.

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Why should psychiatrists take \* the blame?

Psychiatrists are only too familiar with . Hospital were breaking the law. It should a (the new Royal Free Hospital) rather the deliberations of official committees of inquiry set up under the NHS to look into complaints about the running of psychiatric hospitals. Their reports are more or less predictably critical. After publication of a report the NHS authority finds a little extra money to paper over the cracks, a few heads roll, new committees are formed, and the recruiment of psychiatrists and nurses drops to a new low. Yet the recipients of these official in-quiries should not feel too sorry for themselves. They are conducted with a fair degree of objectivity and the committee usually includes a clinical psychiatrist. Less fortunate are the victims of amateurish surveys, also carried out in the name of NHS authorities.

Social Focus

A recent example of this second kind of survey, made on behalf of the North East Thames Regional Health Authority, had in its sights Friern Hospital, a psychiatric hospital in North London. The moni-toring team that was responsible for the survey alleged that the psychiatrists at Friero were illegally detaining voluntary patients and forcibly injecting them with

drugs.
The great hospitals, like Friern, still form the backbone of the psychiatric services of this country, but their presence is resented by many pressure groups, for they stand as bastions of the encien

They represent the thinking of the days before the 1959 Mental Health Act. The Act promised that patients with mental illnesses would be treated informally in general hospitals, like patients with any other kind of illness. On leaving hospital they would receive community care from services that were to be developed by the local authorities.

The failure of this dream to come true has not prevented its repetition in the shape of the 1975 White Paper "Better Services for the Mentally III". The wide chasm that still exists between the visions of the health planners and what the country can afford is a source of continue. ing recrimination by the discerning public. The public reacts with criticism that is often bitter and is directed at the clinicians who are having to deliver the service. They in turn attempt to secure better facilities for their patients, only to find that the NHS purse is tightly shut. At times when the purse is slightly opened, psychiatric patients are in shift competition with other patients who elicit. greater public concern and generosity-the victims of cancer, children with blood diseases or renal failure are examples that come to mind. No matter how good they are, the great mental hospitals cannot win favour.

It is against this background that the community health councils in the health districts served by Friern Hospital have launched a vigorous campaign for its closure. They reason that without Friern Hospital, health planners would willy-pilly have to provide psychiatric treatment in general hospitals and in the community. They have forcefully taken their arguments to the Camdon and Islington Area Health Authority. It is an interesting coincidence that, in the middle of their campaign, the report of the North East. Thames RHA monitoring team (merked "confidential") came to the attention of the ARA, and very shortly after one of its meetings its contents were leaked to

be noted that the monitoring team did not include a clinical psychiatrist. One of its members was a doctor, a specialist in community medicine, but he is not a clinician and is not familiar with the

basic problems of psychiatric practice.

The monitoring team had concluded that some voluntary patients were un-willingly detained because they had observed that their day clothes had been "confiscated". One clinical illustration will suffice to demonstrate the fallacy of this argument. It concerns a patient who was treated not at Friern, but at the Royal Free Hospital where a similar clinical practice prevails if it is in the interest of the patient's safety.

The patient in question was a 40-yearold man who had become severely confused from an adverse reaction to a drug prescribed in another hospital. He was a voluntary patient and soon after his admission slipped unseen out of the hospital. He came upon a tramp, befriended him and the two wandered into the local public house. Much later that day, the patient returned drunk, with facial injuries resulting from a fight, and having been robbed of his money. The incident was most distressing to his family and friends, for he was normally a sober and respected member of the coma soler and respected member of the com-munity. He accepted the simple expedient of being dressed in his pyjamas and dressing gown and this deterred him suf-ficiently from leaving the hospital again. Yet he would have been granted his dis-charge if he had requested it. With

treatment he recovered within six weeks According to the NETHRHA monitoring team, however, this parient should have been detained compulsorily under the Mental Health Act. This senseless advice would merely have added the needless stigms of "certification" to a man who had already had his unfair share of mis-

Friern psychiatrists is that they allowed voluntary patients to be forcibly injected with drugs. This is a most serious accusa-tion, for such a step is justified only in emergencies when a patient becomes disturbed, violent or dangerous. Otherwise it is permitted only when a patient has been detained under the Mental Health Act, and even then is seldom taken. Psychiatrists as Friern Hospital know of no instances of forcible injections of voluntary patients, except in emergencies. In using their discretion in this matter they have the highest regard for the law. Set against this, is the monitoring team doctor's admission that he based his statement on speciment. ment on suspicion. He is unable to pro-vide any supportive evidence—no names of witnesses or patients, let alone any clinical data. The ill-founded accusations of the monitoring team have caused distress to parients and their relatives, and have led to very sick psychiatric patients refusing admission to hospital. Let us now turn to the psychiatric services that could be provided as alter-natives to the traditional mental hospitals. But I must first appeal to the reader's indulgence and ask him to consider another case-history. This time it is not a chancel case-history but the sage of a microcosm within the NHS.

It is the tale of the recent vicissitudes

soffered by the insdequate psychiatric services within the borough of Camden. The community health council has a strong

need education, not the 'glasshouse'

than depend on Friern Hospital. Every psychiatrist and general practitioner is only too familiar with the main obstacle to psychiatric treatment-the patient's dread that he might not be in full control of his emotions, his will or even his actions. Much of the doctor's skill lies in persuading him to accept appropriate treatment even if it requires admission to psychiatric unit. A reluctant patient can usually be swaved to enter a general hospital, but he may remain obdustate when the only prospect offered is a bed within a mental hospital. This dread may be irrational but it is a fact of psychiatric

Yet it is still only possible to offer the more acceptable admission into a general hospital to about one-quarter of all psychiatric patients who need it (national statistics, 1973). To return to our local example, the Royal Free Hospital has insufficient beds for the psychiatric admissions from North Camden. Even more crippling is the absence of a psy-chiatric day hospital within the Royal Free, an essential provision for patients who require rehabilitation before becoming effective members of the community once

Since the new Royal Free Hospital was opened three years ago its psychiatrists have tried to remedy their deficient clinical facilities. It is not possible in the space of this article to describe our frustrations over the failure to secure even modest day hospital facilities. I must have spoken at some fifty committee meetings and written a score of letters and memoranda on this subject, and I have inspected five possible sites—all to no avail. The best analogy is that of the familiar game of snakes and ladders, which we have all played as children. We have, I hope, scaled up a few short ladders: offers of the use of obsolete closed hospitals, sav-ings of money from cut medical services, and, especially, pious resolutions from our district management team. But the dice with snakes down which we slither with our declining bopes. The snakes take the form of squatters who have occupied the promised premises, or members of the staff who require residential accommodation as a higher priority than the needs

of patients.

Other examples are a scrupulous treasurer who felt there must be a catch in an offer of money from the AHA to launch the day hospital, and the AHA itself, which withdrew its offer four months later when the treasurer had applicable to account it. grudgingly decided to accept it. In an effort to load the dice slightly in favour of the psychiatric patient, an appeal was sent to Mr Ennals on February 22, 1977. In spite of two reasonably polite reminders, no reply, no acknowledgement

reminders, no reply, no acknowledgement even, has yet been received. We are still at square one, with no prospect of a day hospinal at the Royal Free.

Examples such as these may not be unusual in the NHS and it may he unrealistic to expect a rapid transition of psychiatric services from mental hospitals to general hospitals. But until there is some improvement in the fortunes of the NHS, is it not reasonable to ask for greater support for the psychiatrists and nurses who have to do their best in caring for their patients with imperfect facilities? for their patients with imperfect facilities?

Gerald Russell

### the press. The most sensational criticisms of the North Camden (for example) should be Consultant Psychiatrist at the Royal Free report were that psychiatrists at Friern treated in the district general hospital and Friern Hospitals. Young offenders

The problem of combaring the increase in juvenile crime (up 40 per cent in the past five years) is in danger of becoming a political issue. The humane Shadow Home Secretary, Mr Willie Whitelaw, is calling for "glasshouse" treatment for the young offender. This, it is claimed, would take the grin off their faces and set them on the straight and narrow. I wish he were right "Glasshouses". would be comparatively easy to set up and cheap to run. But if the evidence of detention centres, where youngsters get a short sharp shock, is anything to go by, they will come out of the glassbouse more skilled and hardened in criminal behaviour

than when they went in.

According to the latest statistics, 80 per cent of 15 and 16-year-olds who have been sent to detention centres and Borstals commit new offences within two years. On the other hand there is the Prime Ministrate. son in law, Mr Perer Jay, who recently chaired a high-powered working perty on children and young people in custody, recommending the possibility of releasing all but 400 of the 12,000 offenders between the ages of 10 and 16 currently in institu-tions, from Borstals to com-munity homes. This radical recommendation springs from the belief of many members of young offenders is a failure. It produces high recidivism, fosters a permanent criminal sub-culture and scars the per-sonalities of children who spend long periods in institutions.

This latter point was poignantly illustrated by Lord Snowdon in his recent television documentary on three young offenders. Peter, Tana and Steve, being fostered in Keut's Special Family Placement Project. A Times television correspondent wrote of Steve as a depressed, de-

sed and resential that more or protect society from their than the present expensive system of their care without a corporation in their care without a corporation of the long run, more protection than the present expensive system of incarceration. (One hunges with which to look after inflicted on the emotionally costs about £250 a week in a chemical costs about £250 a week in a cost about £250 a week for a cost about £250 a week for



fremetically thrashing around sters who make up the vast for an "answer".

Recently I was at a conference for more than 1,000 Rotations—steady, sound, solid citizens down to their Rotary buttons: In the morning a chief constable, an inner London court stipendiary magistrate and conference in the con tons: In the morning a chief constable, ra inner London court supendiary magistrate and ) had each made a speech stressing that the increase in juvenile crime was a worldwide problem of great complexity and rooted in cultural and

feelings from facts, I think cent there is little doubt that most cent supported and well rewarded thought-out therapeutic pro-foster parents; intermediate grammes are being implemen-treatment schemes; crash pads where youngsters can go in a training available for this work prived product of a lifetime in care, who seemed to have been since I was a 16-year-old chief crushed as his house-mother described his demeanour.

Juvenile crime is also a highly emotive issue. The public feels threatened and vulnerable. The magistrates feel that the 1969 Children and Young Persons Act has castrated them. The social workers feel harassed and resentful that more and more young offenders are crimes. Indeed, the evidence is tem of incarceration. (One hum-

But for some young offenders care would be more appropriate than simply providing a par-ticular kind of good home, if we had the staff with the skills to carry out the programme of reeducation. It was not until last month, when I visited the School of Psycho-Education in of Montreal, that I realized how far behind we are in this country in developing any thera-peutic techniques for dealing peutic techniques for dealing with delinquency. In the past 25 years, the School of Psycho-Education has developed a systematic form of treatment which aims to reeducate the disturbed and delinquent youngster. It has abolished the distinction, so sacred in this country, between the teacher and the carer, and has well-trained psycho-educators combining both roles. It leads the young people through a four-stage programme of assimila-tion, control, creativity and per-sonality, in which every moment of every day is part of a thera-pentic plan.

I saw it in operation in an a saw it in operation in an ex-approved-school type of institution for boys and girls, in a small home for 20 highly disturbed boys from eight to eleven years old, with high IQs, and in the wing of a secure criminal mental hospital where teenage boys are committed,

The sense of purpose, confidence and hope which pergooding liberals, whose hearts meated the staff and the rule our heads, but because we know it does not have the desired effect.

If one can disentangle strong researchers, are about 80 per feelings from facts, I think cent compared to our 20 per

While there are only a hand-ful of institutions in this country (usually run by in-spired geniuses) where carefully

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They had a baby girl, aged 2. Miss Davis was granted a council fist, but at the man's request it was put in their joint names. She paid the rent. The man bear her frequently and with extreme violence, and she fied to a battered wives' refuge.

On October 18 she asked under the new Act to be allowed to go back to the flat and for the man to be excluded from it. The depary judge made an order in her favour; but after the Court of Appeal decisions that order was withdrawn, and the man went in again and the woman went back to the refuge. She now appealed.

To his Lordsthip's mind the Act was perfectly clear. The words of section 1(1)(c) and (2) covered Miss Davis's case.

In B v B (The Times, October 14) the court had been much infinenced by the opening and concluding words of section 1(2)—"without prejudice to the jurisdiction of the High Court" and "whether or not any other relief is sought in the proceedings." His Lordship considered they added nothing and subsracted nothing. Another division of the court, in Cantili v Jenkins (The Times, October 25), seemed to have thought that the High Court had little or no jurisdiction to exclude a husband from the maximonial bome and that if section 1(1) gave such jurisdiction to a county court "it produces the quite astordshing result that the substantive law to be applied in the High Court". His Lordship feared that that court could not have appreciated the extent of the High Court". His Lordship feared that that court could, at the instance of a battered wife, grant an injunction restraining the maximonial home and also excluding him from it, even though he was the owner in his sole name or in joint names.

Section 1(1) gave every county court jurisdiction to exclude a husband, whether or no matrimodial own entering the maximodial home and also excluding him from it, even though he was the owner in his sole name or in joint names. often for homicide.

court jurisdiction to exclude a insband, whether or no matrimonial proceedings were pending and without making it necessary to go through the technicality of adding a claim for damages.

The second reason given in B v B was that the section should be so construed as not to interfere with rights of property; that there was an elaborate code regulating the rights inter se of spouses in relation to the matrimonial home in the Matrimonial Homes Act, 1967, as amended by the 1976 Act, sections 3 and 4, and that section 1 should be regarded as procedural and not as enabling the court to interfere with the substantive rights of the parties. It did not therefore enable the court to exclude Mr B since he had an indefeasible right as against Mrs B to continue in occupation by virtue of his tenancy. Nor in Cambiff of Jenkins did it enable the court to cust Mr Jenkins, because he, as joint tenant with Miss Cantiliff, had a legal right to be in possession; Bull v Bull ([1955] 1 QB 234).

There, too, the court had gone wrong. There reasoning would

be allowed to override the man's property rights and to exclude him from the "matrimonial home" whatever those rights might be.

The third reason was that on

their construction of it and its impact on "a man and a woman... living with each other in the same household..."

The court allowed an appeal by Miss Jennifer Davis, joint temast with Mr Nehemiah Johnson, the father of her 22-year-old child, of a Hackney council flat from that part of an order of Judge Bernard Lewis on October 28 which suspended an injunction granted by deputy Judge Paulusz on October 18 at Brennford County Court ordering Mr Johnson to vacate the premises and not refurn thereto. The original order was made under the provisions of section 1 of the 1976 Act, which came into force on June 1.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was granted.

Section 1 provides: "(1) Without prejudice to the herisdiction of the High Court, on an application by a party to a marriage. priority to the fittspana's pro-perty rights.

In the Cantilif case the court had been influenced by the thought that the injunction would be un-licated in time, such an injunction they said would be equivalent to a transfer of property so long as the other party was living. That did not frighten his Lordship. In the injunction was a short-term remedy to meet an urgent need. of the High Court, on an applica-tion by a party to a marriage a county court shall have jurisdic-tion to grant an injunction con-taining one or more of the follow-ing provisions, namely—(a) a pro-vision restraining the other party to the marriage from molessing the applicant; (b) . from molesting a child living with the applicant: (c) a provision exclud-ing the other party from the matri-monial home or a part of the the injunction was a short-term remedy to meet an urgent need. With legal advice the parties would be able to come to a solution, or the parties might come together again or one or the other form a new relationship.

The court in B v B felt that the words "living with each other", in section 2(1) applied to the time when the woman applied to the court. Those words did not present any difficulty: they

present any difficulty: they described the parties' relationship before the incidents which gave use to the application. That was

Lordship himself had done so: It threw a flood of light on the case.

The second important point was whether the court could depart from B v B and Cauliff

The Court of Appeal should regard itself as normally bound by its own previous decisions but should be at liberty to depart from them if it was convinced that they were wrong. If an error were left to be corrected by the House of Lords the House might never have an opportunity to correct it and it might be perpetuated indefinitely. That often happened in the old days when there was no legal aid, and even today a person of modest means might be outside the legal aid scheme and not able to take it higher, with the risk of failing. Cases had often been settled pending appeal.

In Young v. Bristol Aeroplane Co Led ([1944] 1 KB 718) a sixmember Court of Appeal had overtuied the previous practice and laid down that the Court of Appeal married to the man or only living with him.

In 1975 the House of Commons set up a select committee to report on violence in marriage. The committee called for steps to be taken urgently to protect women subject to violence, and the 1976 Act was passed. Many women were granted injunctions by county court judges against the man evicting him from the house.

But in two cases the man appealed, and two separate divistors of the Court of Appeal allowed the appeals, holding that the county court judges had not the power to grant the injunctions. The two decisions aroused construction. It was said that the Courts of Appeal had flouted Parlament's invention of protecting women. Their Lordschops had called together a full court—a court of ell the arisens—to review those two decisions. In reviewing those decisions the court had to consider whether there were errorruled the previous practice and laid down that the Court of Appeal

consider whether there were errou-cous, and if they were, whether they could be corrected by the full court. to what was said in 1884 that it was a matter of judicial comity. But in 1966 when the House of Lords changed its practice it called it a Practice Statement (Judicial: Precedent) ([1966] 1 WLE 1234). His Lordship thought that the Court of Appeal should also lay down for itself new guidelines. If

Such an emasculated subsection (c) could best be described by the quotation from Horace, pararium: montes nascetur ridiculus mus. But was this provision only a tiny miserable mouse incapable of even a nibble at the evil of domestic hooliganism? His Lordship did not think so. The Act was "plain as a pikestaff". It enabled the county court to provide immediately for the urgent and pressing need of wife and child for a roof, excluding the violent husband from what had been the matrimonial home. It made the county court the first aid post when there had been serious infringement of the basic human right of wife to child not to be subjected to vio-

lence,
It followed that his Lordship
considered B v B wrongly decided.
By importing into the Act the conception of non-interference with a

**Battered** women protected woman was the sole owner or tenant. But in practice the unmarried woman was never give section I any effect it mus

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Davis v Johnson
Before Lord Denning, Master of
the Rolls, Sir George Baker,
President of the Family Division,
Lord Justice Goff, Lord Justice
Show and Lord Justice CummingBruce
The fire-member Court of

Bruce
The five-member Court of
Appeal which has been sitting to
decide on the scope and ambit of
the Domestic Violence and Matri-

monial Proceedings Act, 1976, held by a majority (Lord Justice Goff and Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce dissenting) that they were entitled to hold that two recent decisions

of other divisions of the Court of Appeal on the Act were wrong in their construction of it and its

monial home or a part of the matrimonial home or from a speci-fied area in which the matrimonial home is included; (d) a provision

requiring the other party to permit the applicant to enter and remain

the applicant to enter and remain in the matrimonial home or a part of the matrimonial home; whether or not any other relief is sought in the proceedings. (2) Subsection (1) above shall apply to a man and a woman who are Iving with each other in the same household as husband and wife as it applies to the parties to a marriage and any reference to the matrimonial home shall be construed accord-

me shall be construed accord-

Mr James Comya, yc. and same Judish Parker for Miss Davis; Mr Joseph Jackson, QC, and Mr David McIntyre for Mr Johnson. The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that "battered wives" was a telling phrase invented to call public attention to the evil whereby

a woman suffered serious or re-peated injury from the man with whom she lived, whether she was married to the man or only living

the authority of the House of Lords in Torr v Torr ([1973] AC 254) there was a general principle of construction that an enactment should not be construed so as to affect rights of property; and that if "battered wives" were enabled to turn our the man it would be "a very drastic incord into the common law rights of the property

twaing spouse".

That concept was out of date. That concept was out of date. In modern times the law had changed where justice required that personal rights in a proper case should be given priority over rights of property. Ever since the war the courts had not allowed a husband to turn his wife and child out on to the street even though he had title to the property. His Lordship preferred to go by the principles underlying the legislation rather than the outdated notions of the past. He rejected, therefore, the suggestion that in the 1976 Act Parliament intended to give priority to the husband's property rights.

in neither case was the court referred to the Select Committee or to the proceedings in Parlia-ment. If they had been they would have discovered the intention of

laid down that the Court of Appeal was bound to follow its previous decisions except (1) where there were two conflicting decisions of its own; (2) where a decision of its own would not stand with a House of Lords decision; and (3) where it was satisfied that a previous decision was given per increase. incurism.

That proposition was laid down di court.

Miss Davis was 21, Mr Johnson as a rule of law—quite contrary to what was said in 1884 that it

it appeared that a previous deci-sion was wrong, the court should be at liberty to depart from it if the court thought it right to do so, though only in the exceptional

Alternatively the court should Atternatively the court saddid actions the exceptions in Young. By so doing the court would protect the weak and do what was fust. His Lordship would allow the appeal and restore the deputy judge's decision ordering the man to be evicted.

The PRESIDENT, concurring in allowing the appeal, considered

The PRESIDENT, concurring in allowing the appeal, considered section 1 of the Act and said that on Mr Jackson's submissions the battered wife or battered illegitimate wife could never obtain an order to turn out the husband or illegitimate husband unless she was the sole owner or sole tenant and he had no proprietary interest. A moment's reflection on the realities of life would suffice to show that that situation was most unlikely to arise, for almost invariably the man had the sole or a joint interest, especially in council property.

Such an emaculated subsection (c) could best be described by the

child not to be subjected to vio

ception of non-interference with a sacred right of property, even where there had been extreme and horrifying violence, the court had deprived section 1(1)(c) of any practical meaning or purpose. Power to make an injunction was useless if there was no injunction which could be made.

The other important question was whether the court could and should refuse to follow B v B, which it was satisfied was not only wrong but courtary to the which it was satisfied was not only wrong but contrary to the plain terms and intent of a recent Act, or whether the court was bound by what was said in Young about the court being bound to follow its own previous decisions.

bound to follow its own previous decisions.

His Lordship thought that B v B could be distinguished from the present case in which the welfare and even safety of the child was a major consideration. But that would leave B v B as an authority deeptie his Lordship in Lordship. Mr Jenkins, because he, as joint tenant with Miss Candiff, had a legal right to be in possession; Bull v Bull ([1955] 1 QB 234).

There, too, the court had gone wrong. Thest reasoning would denive section 1 of any effect at all. Mr Jackson said that as between the unmarried living together a woman could never invoke section 1(2) so long as the man was the owner or joint owner of present case within any of the

exceptions in Young of in later criminal cases. His Lordship could not agree that Young did not bind the court; but he was prepared to accept that there should be a further limited exception, founded on an extension of the second exception in Young, that the court was bound to refuse which, though not expressly overruled, could not stand with a
decison of the House of Lords.
He would define it thus: "The
court is not bound to follow a
previous decision of its own if
satisfied that the decision was satisfied that the decision was clearly wrong and cambot stand in the face of the will and intention of Parliament expressed in simple language in a recent statute passed to remedy a serious mis-chief or abuse, and further ad-herence to the previous decision herence to the previous decision must lead to injustice in the particular case and unduly restrict the proper development of the law with injustice to others."

His Lordship's reasons were:

(1) The Practice Statement in the House of Lords recognized the danger of injustice. (2) There was a conflict between a statutury pro-

exceptions in Young or in late

a conflict between a statutory pro-vision and a decision which had completely misinterpreted the recent Act and failed to understand its purpose. (3) By his judi-cial oath a judge bound himself to do "right to all manner of people after the laws and usages of this realm". Here by refusing the injunction, his Lordship would be dealer a great arrows to Miss be doing a great wrong to Miss Davis, her child, and many others by following a decision which he firmly believed was not the law. The statute was the law, the final authority.

LORD JUSTICE GOFF, for dismissing the appeal, said that the two Court of Appeal decisions were not distinguishable from the

were not distinguishable from the present case. The question therefore was whether they were binding on the present court. His Lordship's firm view on the leading authorities was that the Court of Appeal should be bound by its own decisions and that the court, when exercising its civil jurisdiction, was bound by the general rule in Young and that the class of exceptions was closed. He based his conclusion on the necessity of pursuing certainty in our law: the his conclusion on the necessity of pursuing certainty in our law; the care which should always be taken to see that hard cases did not make bad law; and the many occasions on which Young had beet approved on the highest authority. His Lordship would therefore dismiss the appeal, but he did ho with great refuctance since, with respect to the members of the with great reluctance since, with respect to the members of the two powerful divisions which decided these cases, he did not agree with their conclusions.

In E v E the court held that section 1 was purely procedural enabling county courts to great injunctions and did not enable the courts to arise a breakend or

the courts to evict a husband or non-spouse who was the sole owner. In Cantill the court adopted that decision and applied it to a case of joint tenancy. The adopted that decision and applied it to a case of joint tenancy. The result to deprived section 1(c) and 2 (1)(c) of almost all effect. In the case of a lawful wife that might not be too serious for she had other remedies.

He did not see why the Act should not be construed as giving jurisdiction to the county court under to gram an injunction over.

judge to gram an injunction over-tiding the rights of property at common law so that in the exercise of his discretion he was free to do the best he could. What seemed to his Lordship the crucial factor which, if the matter were res integra, would lead him to adopt the liberal conlead him to adopt the liberal con-struction and give the county court judge jurisdiction to make any of of the orders specified in sections 1 and 2, either for a limited period or Indefinitely if he thought fit, irrespective of the rights of pro-perty, was that ghe strict construc-tion adopted in the other two deci-sions virtually struck section 2 out of the Act.

So if the matter were res integra his Lordship would allow the appeal. As it was, while having appeal. As it was, while having regard to the judge's findings, he had great sympathy with the appellant and others in like predicament, he felt himself bound to apply B v B and Cantiff and so would dismiss the appeal, giving the appellant leave to appeal to the House of Lords. If those decisions were wrong as his Lordship

the appellant leave to appeal to the House of Lords. If those decisions were wrong, as his Lordship sought to show they were, it was in his view quite clearly for the House of Lords, ner for the Court of Appeal, so to hold.

LORD JUSTICE SHAW, agreeing with the judgments of the Master of the Rolls and the President, said that he agreed that section I was plainly intended and by its language invested the county court with powers to make such provisions as were there defined, and that such powers were exercisable irrespective of the proprietary rights of the parties. In exercising its powers the county court would have regard to all relevant circumstances; the prospects of rehousing the applicant and any children in the family, the relevant means of the parties, the greater hardship if the order was made or prolonged.

Was the court inhibited by the principle of stare decisis as expressed in Young v Bristol Aeroplans Co? There was no prohibition under any statue which prevented a departure from earlier decisions. Certainly in the law, dithough a factor of high importance in the administration of justice, was not the ultimac ideal. Stare decisis could not be universal in its application.

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In less than five months after the coming into force of a statute platiny intended to protect the victims of domestic violence from victims of domestic violence from being driven from the matrimonial home, its teeth had been effectively drawn by a decision of the Court of Appeal. That had not only deprived the appellant of the protection which Parliament intended but had disenfranchised many others in a like case. Because of a legalistic attitude such persons would have to make a choice between sub-aiming to the risk of further violence or being rendered homeless.

LORD JUSTICE CUMMING-

further violence or being rendered homeless.

LORD JUSTICE CUMMING-BRUCE said that save on one marker, not necessary for the decision, he agreed with Lord Justice Goff. For the reasons given the case could not be distinguished from B v B and Comiliff v Jenkins.

The court's task was to determine what the words of the Act meant. That task should be capable of being performed without searching through Hansard.

The practice of the court, affirmed in Young v Bristol Aeroplane Co. was based upon an appreciation of the policy which was most likely to afford the Crown and its subjects a judicial system in which the conflicting interests of certainty and justice in individual cases were reconciled. His Lordship would be more confident in the balance between the two if there could be easier access to the House of Lords. The Court of Appeal should act in accordance with the principle of stare decisis as declared in Young.

His Lordship was quite unable to hold that the decision in either B v B or Caudilf was plainly wrong. In B v B the court considered the words of the section in the context of the Act. The court was bound to follow those decision.

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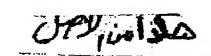
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### Polly Adams into country wife

For a lady not yet out of her thirdes, Polly Adams has had a distinctly Edwardian stage career: years of Noel Coward, Ben Travers, Frederick Lons dale and John Galsworthy were followed by a brief burst of modernity in Ayckbourn's Bedfarther back in the past, 1675 to be precise, for Peter Hall's starry new production of The

Country Wife which opens at the Oliviet tonight.

Leading a company which also includes Albert Finney, Richard Johnson, Elizabeth Spriggs and Robin Bailey, Miss Adams can't decide whether the feels safe or ormenbal she feels safe or somewhat threatened:
"On the one hand, with all

those good people around you and in this great building you feel protected: on the other hand, if it does go wrong, there's somebow more to go wrong than at a less famous

heatre."
Now 38, Polly Adams has Now 38, Polly Adems has already, survived virtually 20 years in the business since her first. West End job opposite Paul Scoffeld and Sir Ralph Richardson in The Complaisant Lover as the Globe in 1959. Not surprisingly, perhaps, for one who started so well so young she comes from a family of actors: ily of actors :
"Joseph Harker was my

great-grandfather and Gordon Harker was a great uncle, so I was brought up against a back-ground of the old touring actor-managers, though that was all on my mother's side of the family. Father was attached to the Foreign Office

attached to the Foreign Office and stayed far away from all that sort of thing."

An only child, she had a convent upbringing and was sure enough of her future to apply to RADA at 17:

"I gave thein a very bad bit of Titania which I was always doing around the house, being the worst play of that kind of child, and they failed me, but then the second time I did a bit of Eliza Dolit tie and they took me in during that rather good Tom Courtenate and I can't say I regret having lips rime when Fernald had they took me in during that rather good Tom Courtenate and I can't say I regret having lips rime when Fernald had they took in at the end of those old "After all that, The Country Westernay Susannah York Sian Phillips rime when Fernald had they took in at the end of those old "After all that, The Country Westernay Susannah York Sian Phillips rime when Fernald had the state of the same transport of the same transpor lips rime when Fernald had looking up again. From there I got a job playing small parts and stage-managing on a tour of Doctor in the House; twice nightly it was, and at the end of the week I had to get five sets down to the station and on to a train for the next

"Then I auditioned for Gielgud, and he put me into The Complaisant Lover after only a lew months in the profession, which was wonderful though it which was wonderful though it of incompany to the could never happen now because actors have to go through a probationary period tral member of the company, before London. After that I perhaps because they only let me do one play at a time—I of my time playing ingenues in had to leave Bedroom Farce to long West End runs like The Bride Comes Back with Cicely because we're on different

town, so I cried a lot and people used to help out.



eighteen months counting the tour.

"I suppose it would have been better for me to have had a long training period in repsomewhere but I never did, and I can't say I regret having got in at the end of those old West Eod days: one of the actors here at the National the other day said to me in horror 'Have you seen the set they've got at the Cotteshoe for Half-Life? It's just like going back to Tennents', but I remember those days with a kind of nosus bad as people make out."

Company life at the National suits her, though she has a suits her, though she has a feeling life might be easier if they could rehearse in a

of in those august surroundings:
"I still don't feel a very cen-

church hall somewhere instead

least with Shekespeare you've almost always seen the play before you start rehearsing, but I'd seen very little Restoration comedy and I find it very hard to give the mannerisms talgia now—they really weren't the importance they demand as bad as people make out."

without letting them take the whole performance. It's like being a kamikaze pilot: you just have to fling yourself down into it and hope for the best. You can't creep up on The Country Wife the way you

The future? "It's not some-thing I really think about much: of course I worry that there aren't so many parts for

Sheridan Morley

### Leonardo as anatomist

notes and drawings by Leonardo were discovered in the Biblioteca Nacional in Madrid Second Nacional in and Madrid. Soon, perhaps, we may know whether his lost fresco of The Battle of Anghiari still exists beneath the work of Vasari in the Sala dei Cinquecento of the Palazzo Vecchio m Plorence, when current tests are completed. Now Leonardo's famous

Now Leonardo's famous anatomical drawings from the Queen's collection at Windsor Queen's collection at windsor are exhibited separately in London for the first time. Previously the drawings had been bound together and so could only be displayed page by page. Recently they have been split up and sandwiched between two cheers of personner. tween two sheets of perspex. Protected like this, they can be Protected like this, they can be exhibited so that the drawings on both sides of the page can be seen. (They were shown for the first time in this way in Washington and Los Angeles last year.) In the Royal Academy's Private Rooms they are simply and effectively displayed in an installation designed by Paul Williams.

Leonardo's contribution to anatomy is well known. Such was his energy and the manyrided nature of his genius that he achieved this as a mere fraction of his total activity. (Only 1 per cent of his exant

(Only 1 per cent of his extant manuscripts are concerned with human anatomy.) His dis-sections and the drawings made from these were done between 1487 and 1493, and between 1505 and 1512. In his early drawings he concentrated on the brain and skull, the sensory and nervous systems and in particular the eye and its connexions through the optic person to the brain optic nerve to the brain (Leonardo described the eye as "the window of the soul".). Twenty years later he concentrated on the reproductive and digestive organs (from this period dates the most celebrated drawing of the infant in the womb), and the superb studies of the superb studies of the superb studies of the superb studies. dies of musculature and bone

structure, of the heart and the blood supply.

In his dissections and the conveying of the information he gained from them through his drawings, Leonardo antici-pated Vesalius by several decades. Nevertheless he was often still bound by medieval ways of looking at human anatomy. He did not, as is often held, discover the circulation

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ing the uterus of the cow, but value and are not life-enhancwhich do not exist in the
human womb. Although usi union held no beauty for
Leonardo was a pioneer of him. Fifteen years after mak-



comparative anatomy, this sometimes misled him. Never-theless his achievement in the advance of anatomical science

was enormous.

In his anatomical drawings he uses line to convey the in-formation as precisely as possible. They were not conceived of as finished works but as visual notes and records, although they have their own beauty which has long been recognized. But their realism is the disconcentrate and the sible of the often disconcerting, particularly for those with queasy stomachs. In his foreword to the catalogue Sir Anthony Blont writes: "It must never be forested to the catalogue sir Anthony Blont writes: "It must never be forested." gotten that these studies are not only fascinating diagrams but superb works of art." Leonardo was a man of a mulnitude of great talents and to confound them in this way is to confuse the issue. Leonardo advanced the study of anatomy and of anatomical drawing. He are great works of art. Most show a great inquiring intelli-gence at work. A few, like Coition of hemisected man and

ing this drawing he wrote:
"The act of coitus and the
parts employed therein are so
repulsive that if it were not

feptisive that if it were not for the beauty of the faces and frenetic state of mind, nature would lose the human species."

The exhibition continues until February 19. The catalogue, which is fully illustrated (£2.20, £3.00 after the close of the exhibition) contains an excellent introduction on excellent introduction or "Leonardo da Vinci, the Anatomist" by Dr Kenneth Keele, who will lecture on "Leonardo

da Vinci: Anatomia Naturale" on Thursday in the Lecture Room of the British Academy at Burkington House at 6.30. Edwin Smith was a finearchitectural and landscape photographer whose pictures were used to illustrate many of the best architectural and topographical books of the Fifties and Sixties. First and Last Interests: Edwin Smith 1912-1971 (House gallery, until December 18) is an exhibition of photographs taken for himself. The later partners are structurely recorded landscapes, the earlier are superb photographs of pre-war fairgrounds and circuses (which complement The Fairground exhibition at the Whitechapel Art Gallery; a party some of them couldn't have been included there), and of a Camden Town which has graphical books of the Fifties

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Silver Blaze

Alan Coren

"Is there any point to which you would wish to draw my anention?" "To the curious incident of the actor in the night-time." "The actor did othing in the night-time." That was the curious inci-

dent", remarked the reviewer. Last weekend, the vaunted Sunday Drama slot on Independent Television lasted less than half an hour. It held a curious little item, concerning the theft of a horse and the death of its 'rainer, set in Vic-torian England, an effect upon which no expense was spared, involving as it did a rehabili-

hundred extres in top hats, and a big star in a deerstalker. The star, Christopher Plum-

mer, played a short, joviali private detective who, accomer about solving the twin crimes. As an anodyne to the irritating hysterics of Starsky and Hutch, the two might have served well enough, had they in their turn been served by a script and a direction which

made some seuse of their As it was, the plot seemed to have been chopped up into small pieces and arranged arbitrarily to form nothing more than a length of celluloid. Indeed, one might have been forgiven for guessing that the bits had been discovered upon the cutting-room floor by a cleaning lady who had then gummed them together and un-

loaded the result upon Herlech Television in exchange for 50 Weights.

As for the star detective, he popped up here and there in these disconnected sequences and did nothing at all except stare quizzically into the middle distance until such time as it became necessary for him to rattle off this solution in the dying seconds. All very odd. surely, mystery, tension, atmosphere would have been immeasurably enhanced by having the plot slowly revealed through the eyes of, say, a baffled bystander.

Mind, it might not have made conductivities are then The

good television, even then. The tube is not the best medium for the subtleties for which short detective fiction calls. Were the

writer, Julian Bond, to adapt it for the printed page, however, he could well be on a winner.

LSO/Kubelik

Festival Hall

Joan Chissell Instead of the traditional overture, concerto and symphony, Rafael Kubelik chose just Brabms's last two symphonies

for his concert with the LSO on Sunday.

"Old fashioned kind of music", was the phrase over-heard from a stranger in the row behind. By the same token, Mr Kubelik could have been described as an old fashioned, described as an old fashioned, or at any rate old world kind of conductor. His tempo was unhurried, his phrasing was expansive, and instead of going for high melodic gloss he favoured an unusually full sonority with plenty of middle and bass.

and bass.

There was a rock-like firmness of structure without rigidity, and equally an inner glow very different from the over-intense, highly strung espres-sive often meted out to this composer by those young advocomposer by those young advo-cates anxious to prove that he was not the antediluvian mon-ster evoked by flugo Wolf in an infamous review of the Third Symphony. Brahm's Eroica was how Richter more fittingly described it after con-ducting the premier, for never did the composer test his free

did the composer test his frei aber freh motto more search-ingly before reaching that F trajor haven at the end. Since Brahms's scoring was scarcely ever more Wagnerian than in this homecoming, per-haps Mr Kubelik could heve

here to extract greater sen-spous beauty. In the first movement's last big climax, mo, he allowed timps and brass to overpower the main motif in the strings. But the glorious theme slow movement could not have been more richly sung. The Allegretto, because unhurried, vas uncommonly nostalgic.
The E minor symphony

The E minor symphony brought keen contrasts, between mellow lyricism and peremptory challenge in the first movement, golden andante in the Andante, well sprung rhythm in the third movement and a generously characterized but integrated sequence of variations in the finale.

Philharmonia/Maazel Festival Hall

Paul Griffiths

Mismatching, I think, was the principal cause of a veil of incongruities which obscured the Sibelius violin concerto on Sunday afternoo. Vladimir Spivakov, the soloist, announced in his first phrase that he was not going to let the music pass without an inflection of gypsy romance, or perhaps of Slavonic soulfulness. This never came to dominate his performance, and sometimes, as in the first-movement cadenzas, it disappeared in favour of a fine display of a present in virtueity. It did strength in virtuosity. It did, however, lend a certain dark character nor quice appropriate to what was a polished projec-tion of this wayward work, a performance which thoughtfully performance which prought they sought out its larger forms. Only in the finale, and then no more than occasionally, was Mi Spivakov's tenacious hold on the music weakened by some

want of alacrity.

Lorin Msazel, the conductor, took a rather different view of the work. Attentive more to its smaller features, he provided but unleashed the full orches-tral might in those passages where the soloist is silent, parwhere the soloist is silent, particularly in the last movement.

As a result, Mr Spivakov's
boldly continuous line was offset by a disjointed sequence of
orchestral panels.

The concert's other big work
was Dvurak's eighth symphony,
which proved similarly resistant
to Mr Maazel's approach. It is
too pleasunt a piece to take
easily to the unnatural rhythms

easily to the unnatural rhythms which he inflicted on it in the slow movement.

Orange Festival operas Daniel Barenboim will conduct the Orchestre de Paris at next year's Orange Festival in Samson and Delilah. The title roles will be taken by Placido Domingo and the Russian mezzo Elena Obratzova. Samson will be heard on July

22. A formight later, on August 5, Ingvar Wixell sings the title role in Macbeth, with Grace Bumbry as Lady Macheth and Ruggero Raimondi as Banquo. The orchestra on this occasion will be the Philharmonia from London under Christoph von

I Love My Wife In a profile of Cy Coleman on

this page last month it was suggested that Stephen Sondheim was not an ardent admirer of the musical I Love My Wife. Mr Sondheim wishes to make it clear that he has never ex-pressed a criticism of this pro-duction.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yes-Paul Overy | terday's later editions.

A Good Night's Sleep

Adelphi

Judith Cruickshank There may be differences of opinion about Wayne Sleep's merits as a classical stylist; as to his abilities as an entertainer there can be none. In Sunday's there can be noue. In Sunday's gala at the Adelphi, held in aid

gain at the Adelpin, need in aid of the Friends of One-Parent Families, he was not only co-producer and linkman, but appeared in no fewer than seven items.
These ranged from Bajan-chine's Tarantella, in which he partnered a sparkling Lesley Collier, to a new Ashton party-piece. Tweedledum and piece, Tweedledum and Tweedledee with Graham Flet-

cher as Dum and Collier as Alice. A lovely trio this, in which Ashson has caught the true flavour of Lewis Carroll and transformed it into dance. Sleep also appeared in a sola from Nijinska's ballet Le Train Bleu. Created in 1924 for Anton Dolin, who raught it to Sleep, it is a mixture of virtuoso steps and acrobatics. Fiendishly dif-

ficult to dance, I imagine, it makes one long to see the whole ballet. The programme included two other revivals of early works; Ninette de Valois's Pride per-formed by Maina Gielgud and Pavlova's Dragonfly solo, ravishingly denced by Margaret Bar-bieri. But the main event of

the evenine was the London premiere of a new Ashton pas de deux to the music of Offen-

bach's ballet Le Papillon. Ashton has ignored the com plex plot of the original and has made a charming romanuc nes de deux evoking the period ness, her sure technique and sense of style. Parmering her. Wayne Eagling seems less secure, and Julia Trevelvan Oman's rather fussy costume does not flatter him.

But not all the degrees came.

But not all the doncers came from the Royal Ballet and not all the performers were dancers. London Contemporary Robert North and Linda

Gibbs in a pres de deux from Pobert Cohen's Numpheos, and the musical by Perra Siniewski and Nicky Croydon from A Chorus Line. Derek iscohi announcing with Warne Sleen, while Penelope Keith hypurcht a new look to The Steering Benuty with a forgerful I lad

Dowell and John Curry Pu from Ashron's Facade and, res seen together they do resemble each other. Altogether it was a really enjoyable evening, and I am sure name of the audience

Frire. Full marks to her Flori-mund. Anthony Dowell, the

first dancer I have ever seen

### Conference of the Birds

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-James Roose-Evans, Hampstead & Highgate Express.

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of the sensibility of a poet with the rueful gaze of a new journalist . . . Masterly." -Michael Kustow, The Guardian,

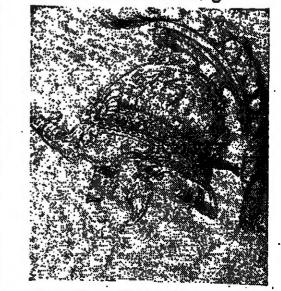
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### investment will not be stopped but next year's level still to be fixed

House of Commons There was no question of stopping the British Steel Corporation's in-vestment programme, Mr Eric Variey, Secretary of State for In-dustry, assured MPs during queslivestment would take place next year but the level had still to

Mr Varley-Somebody might sughe was in continuing contact with Sir Charles Villiers, charman of BSC, about the problems of the steel industry.

Mr Douglas Crawford (Perth and East Perthshire, Scot Nat)—Will Mr Varley condemn the cynical, dehoerate continued run down of the steel industry in Lanarkshire and Ayrshire throwing thousands of men out of work and causing them to lose their dignity? Would Mr Varley advocate the establishment of a Scottish steel corporation answerable to the

Mr Variey—Somebody might suggest that Mr Crawford is making crude political advantage for the SNP out of the difficulties of the BSC. Over the last few years the Scottish division of the BSC have They have had something like They have had something like f120m of investment out of a total lavestment expenditure for the corporation of £579m; that is 21 per cent and Scotland represents about 10 per cent of BSC's steel-making capacity. Far from BSC losing out in Scotland they have done very well indeed.

Mr Robin Hodgson (Walsall, North, C)—If BSC is to bring its staffing levels into line with its major competitors it will have to shed between 40,000 and 60,000 jobs. Will Mr Varley agree a programme with the chairman of BSC to improve productivity and so to improve productivity and so reduce the appalling level of losses which together with the capital 20 per cent of the public sector borrow ag requirement as a

Mr Varley—I am discussing all rhese matters with BSC and the TUC steel industries consultative committee and I shall be meeting them again tomorrow. Michael Marsball (Arundel,

c)—What deadline has Mr Varley set himself in trying to reach these crucial decisions with the chairman of BSC and the TUC steel committee? If he allows this to drift he in the industry and to the nation-Mr Variey—Discussions are taking place urgently with BSC. I do not want to go further today.

Savings lost

on worthless

Mr Arthur Davidson, Parliamen-

Wir Arthur Davidson, Parliamen-cary Secretary, Law Officers Department (Accrington, Lab)— Spanish Gold Real Estates is the trading name of Swadeway Limited. I have no evidence of the commission by that company of criminal offences but I shall con-sider any information which is sub-mitted to me.

Mr Walker-The whole question of

into.

Will be consider evidence I will send to him because two of my constituents have lost their life savings in wordless property through an advertisement in Choice magazine?

Mr Davidson—I will consider any-thing he sends. And if that evi-dence reveals something which should go to the Director of Public Prosecutions, it will be sent to

Mr Hugh Fraser (Stafford and Stone, C) asked if the Attorney General would seek as early as possible to clarify the law relating to contempt of court by the media when a retrial of a criminal case has been ordered.

Mr Samuel Silkin (Southwark, Dul-wich, Lab)—When the retrial of a criminal case has been ordered the ordinary rules of contempt of court apply so that prejudicial comment may amount to a con-tempt. The Phillimore Committee recommended no change on this

Mr Fraser—We have reached an absurd situation. There was a new case recently of the Neurostic Journal and another involving the

Stafford Newstetter when the un-fortunate editor was dragged before the court and told he was in contempt. I have sent the papers to the Attorney General.

Mr Silkin-On the Newcastle Jour-

Contempt of

retrial cases

court in

property in

Spain

want to go turner today.

Mr Norman Lamout (Kingston upon Thames, C)—While we appreciate the difficulties of the world steel recession, can Mr Varley name any other national steel industry which has fost its domestic market deep as outled as

have a substantial, profitable and expanding British steel industry. It is unthinkable we can opt out of this major, preeminent, manufac-

Mr John Ellis (Brigg and Scunthorpe, Lab)—Would Mr Varley comment on reports there have been that BSC are stopping all investment plans? It is vital we modernize this involustry and nothere is that more important

Mr Varley—There is no question of stopping BSC's investment pro-gramme. The matter is to be dealt with urgently. There are serious problems but investment will take place next year.

Mr Frank Hooley (Sheffield, Heeley, Lab)—To hold or defer the major investment programme of BSC would have serious repercus-sions all through other industries. the moment is the highest in Europe. To make sure we have a modern and efficient capacity, investment will take place in BSC next year. As to the level, that has

Mr Donald Stewart (Western Isles, Scot Nat)—The Scottish industry had rationalized itself even before the Benson committee reported. Whether nationalized or not the industry ought to remain on a Scottish basis.

Mr Varies—I do not agree. The problems of BSC have to be looked at on the basis of the United Kingdom as a whole.

Mr Jeremy Bray (Motherwell and Wishaw, Lab)—The two SNP members who have spoken do not represent a single sneel worker. As one of those who do represent steel workers we accept that it is going to be a difficult situation. going to be a minimit situation and rely on the Government to maintain the investment programme and to provide alternative jobs for those which can no longer be provided in the steel industry.

Air Variey—We will take these things into account in the discussions with BSC and the TUC steel committee. Mr John Biffen (Oswestry, C)— Does Mr Variey share the view of the Secretary of State for Trade (Mr Dell) that it would be inappropriate to raise the price of European steel as proposed by commissioner Estenne Davigmon in view of the weakness of the mar-

Mr Varley—The Government have no influence over the prices of BSC because that was given away when we went into the Common Market. Sir Keith Joseph, Opposition spokesman on industry (Leeds, North-East, C)—However much money the taxpayer finds to save jobs in BSC that number of people will almost certainly be thrown out of employment as a result of the

worse than it would have been Mr Varley-BSC has done extre

hir variey—ESC las done extre-mely well over the last few years, it is still a net exporter. We have to make sure that ESC becomes profitable and it secures the jobs of the majority of the people who work in that industry.

Mr Timothy Renton Mid-Sussex C) later asked if Mr Variey would lay on the table of the House all the papers that had passed between him and the chairman of the Bri-tish Steel Corporation over the

Mr Renten—Is there not a growing feeling, aggravated by his evasive enswer earlier this afternoon, that there is a conspiracy of silence over telling the House anything about the important discussions on BSC's future that are going on? We represent the taxpayers, who will have to pay bills amounting to billions of pounds. In how many weeks will he make a full state-ment to the House

Mr Varley—The matter is being dealt with urgently. I have had several discussions, and Mr Kaufman, the Minister of State, has had discussions, with the BSC. I shall be seeing the TUC steel committee tomorrow afternoon. We are mak-ing as much progress as we can. I am not flippant in any way and do nor underestimate the needs Mr Renton referred to.

Mr Hooley-Can he point out to the chairman of the steel corpora-tion that it would be better for the tion that it would be better to administration of public corporations if chairmen were more forthtions it casument committees of this couring to select committees of this House which have a duty to probe and expect full into these matters and expect cooperation from persons of status?

Mr Varley—I am not aware than the chairmen of nationalized indus-tries do not cooperate with select committees. When I have had to appear before the committees I have tried to be as helpful as

C)—We shall look forward to what he has to say ou Thursday on these matters. He is being coy about this. Will he at least not say he will try to make a statement before Chrismas on what he intends to

Mr Varley-I will consider that Later Mr Crawford unsuccessfully Later Mr Crawford unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate on the BSC which, he said, appeared to be acting in panic and could, through closures, put at risk 6,000 jobs directly associated with steel in Scotland and a total of 12,000 to 15,000 including those indirectly associated.

### Minister gives assurance that BSC | All UK airlines should buy British wherever possible

The Government were concerned Mr Norman Tebbit (Waltizam that wherever possible all British Forest, Chingford, C)—Why does alriines should buy British, Mr the minister think that the head of the mationalized British Airways for industry, said. for industry, said.

He was replying to Mrs Helene
Hayman (Welwyn and Hatfield, Lab) who had commented: The already demoralized civil auxraft industry was appalled by the speech of Mr Ross Stainton, deputy chairman of British Airways, last week.
Trident replacements could be Trident replacements could be supplied in this country by this country's industries. Will be ensure that not only we go ahead on the HS 146 but that British Always are firmly told by the Secretary of State for Trade (Mr Edmund Dell) that they have to fly the flag as well? (Labour cheers.)

Debate on

of Scottish

It would be in order for MPs

argue, as a reason for supporting a motion about Sheriff Thomson,

that the Commons should not uphold the action of the Secretary of State for Scotland in dismissing the sheriff unless and until he was

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas

amounced this in a ruling on a matter raised last week by Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop (Tiverton, C) about a debate to take place next Monday, December 5, on the

The Speaker said: He asked in effect whether it would be in order to discuss the question of whether Sheriff Thomson should have the leave of the House to appear at the

the question of whether an oppor-tunity should be given to debate

the motion which is designed to give leave to the Sheriff to be

present at the Bar when the prayer is debated is not for me. I am not concerned in the arrangement of business.

Mr. Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—As Mr. Michael Foot, Lord President, has been making it difficult for the House to debate the Sheriff Thomson affair and Lord Kilbrandon. In a speech this weekend, appeared to compit the same offence, will the

questioned on the matter? The Speaker—That would get me into hot water.

Bar of the House.

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to the capitalist Americans rather than nationalized British manufacthan nationalized British manufac-turing industry to buy the acro-planes that he needs?

Does the mimister think he might have spent his time better if rather than going in for what he called the advance of socialism in nationalizing the industry, he got on with helping the industry through collaborative arrange-ments in Europe or with America in order to produce the aircraft the industry needs? Mr Kaufman—The question of air-craft procurement by British Air-ways is for the Secretary of State for Trade. The Government as a whole are anxious that wherever possible all British airlines should buy British.

Mr Kanfman-One reason why Mr Stainton may have felt it necessary

to make those remarks was that during the period 1970-74 the pri-vately-owned industry brought for-ward no new projects which could now be manufactured.

As for the Government, we have

Review of

legislation

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competition

We are auxious that production

of the BAC III should go ahead and this would have stopped if the privately-owned British aircraft industry had had its way. dir Norman Tebbitt (Waltham Forest, Chingford, C) later asked the minister if the British Aero-space Corporation had yet told him of any proposal to proceed with 3 new civil aircraft project or requested Government support for

Mr Gerald Kaufman, Minister of State for Industry (Manchester, Ardwick, Lab)—British Aerospace is actively examining all possible civil aircraft options Mr Tebbit—Does that answer mead " ves " or " no " ?

Mr Kanfman-It means what Mr Peter Rost (South-East Derby-shire, C)—How can British Air-

ways buy British when he has taken no decisions in the last three years to help the industry to get any project launched and presides over the rundown of the nationalover the rundown of me ized aerospace industry? Mr Kapiman-He is characteristi-

Mr Kaufman—He is characterishically inaccurate. A decision I amounced herd only last year, after that made by Mr Benn, has made it possible for the HS 140 project to be launched following a positive recommendation from British Aerospace if it should be forthcoming and acceptable to the Consentment.

Mr Donglas Hoyle (Nelson and nir Bongias Hoyle (Nelson and Colne, Lab)—It is damaging when British Airways announce that they will buy American. This does not help to formulate any policy. Will he further recommend to the Secretary of State for Trade that Mr Staincon be sacked for his remarks?

Mr Kanfman-I do not know if dismissal is a necessary solution to this problem. We are anxious that

the airlines, including the twistely-owned aritine on which I for to Terside on an American plane of few days ago, should buy British. Mr Ross Spainton made his statement in New York after flying there are not suit the recatest Rr. there on not only the greatest Bri

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—Could it be that Mr Stainton does not know her own company officials are talking to British Airways about the BAC 121. It is much more likely that this is a ploy be is continuous in order to extract from the Go: erument a subsidy in return for an instruction to buy British, white British Airways could do anyway.

Mr Kaufman-That is a question for Mr Sminton. I have frequent amicable conversations with Mr Stainton and I am sure that am

### Fresh effort needed to improve handling of EEC legislation

The House of Commons should have far greater control over ministers on European Common Market matters, Mr Nigel Spearing (Newham, South, Lab), opening a debate on the EEC. He moved that where the Select Committee on European Legislation had recommended that any draft legislation or other proposal, published by the Commission of the EEC and submitted to the Council of Ministers should be further considered by the House, no minister should give agreementto such a proposal Mr Mike Thomas (Newcastle upon Tyne, East. Lab) asked the Secre-tary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, what action was being taken to carry out the review of the legislation and insti-tutions governing competition Mr Roy Hattersiey, in a written reply, said—The review stems from concern at the increasing concen-tration of ownership in British ingive agreementto such a proposal in the Council until the House bad tration of ownership in British in-dustry and the effect that this may be having on the economy, the disappointing results of many mergers and the Government's desire to ensure that competition policy makes its full contribution to improving industrial perfor-mance.

in the Council until the House had debated the topic on a motion related to the proposal.

He said that all groups in the House, whatever desires they might have for the future progress of the EEC and its institutions, wanted to retain the powers of scrutiny over EEC proposals and the democratic powers of the House to question ministers on what they said in the Council of Ministers. to improving industrial performance.

The review will reflect the fact that competition policy and the industrial strategy are complementary in that they share the same basic objective of increasing the efficiency of British industry.

We have decided to set up an interdepartmental group whose task will be to prepare a preliminary study for ministers by the spring.

The group will carry out a survey of the existing evidence on the MPs were at a considerable dis-

soventage in that they did not control the timetable of meetings

room the European Commission or the Council.

When the EEC business came to the Commons the House must have the power to say, at some stage: "No, you don't ". If it did not the House would have lost its power over the domestic ascentive, let alone any other. That was the prime consideration. MPs were concerned with the health of democracy in Britain. It was scandalous that EEC business could go upstains to a commistee, return to the House at the end of the order paper and then be passed wirtually on the nod.

MPs had to make sure that they got the procedure put right and did not have clamiestine legislation through statutory instrument and The group will carry out a survey of the existing evidence on the causes and consequences of concentration, the factors that results, the effects of monopolies, and the effectiveness of the present connection tegislation. They will have regard to competition policy in other countries and especially the effect of the present connection tegislation.

the development of the EEC rules of competition.

They will see what lessons can be drawn from the evidence and what further studies may be necessary. They will be giving special attention to the implications of United Kingdom membership of the EEC as well as the increasingly international structure of markets and the generally more competitive. The passing of the motion would provent a minister from deciding whether or not the House should debate a legislative proposal before

debate a legislative proposal before it was agreed to.

He betieved there should be democracy in size EEC. He did not believe the establishment of democracy in the EEC by any method need restrict in the House of Commons. If it demanded that it be reduced in the Commons them there was something wrong. operate.

The group will concentrate initially on possible changes in mergers and monopoly policy and the way that this is applied in the legislation.

They will also make a preliminary assessment of further aspects of competition policy, including restrictive trading practices, and possible changes in the institutions governing competition policy. Sir John Eden (Bournemouth, West, C), chairman of the scrutiny committee on European legisla-tion, paid comments in the Econgoverning competition policy, notably fusion of the competition and prices policy institutions.

tion, paid comments in the Econ-omist, The Times and other news-Manpower **Commission** would be difficult to do so in most cases. The committee had a membership of 16, but that small number of MPs represented most shades of opinion in relation to its views on the Common Market. The committee had to determine whether documents coming to it were of political or legal significance.

changes Mr Bruce Grocott (Lichfield and Tamworth, Lab)—To ask the Secretary of State what changes he proposes to make in the regional organization in England of the Department of Employment and the Manpower Services Commis-

Mr Albert Booth-On December 1

Services

in other comuries and especially the development of the EEC rules

the generally more competitive international trading environment in which our industry has to

were of political or legal significance.

Debares on European motters should take place in the House in good time before ministers had to come to a conclusion in the Council of Ministers. This would enable them to take the views of MPs into account before the late stages of negotisations were reached.

They should have proper debates, not of one-and-a-half hours as though these were statutory instruments and no different from them. There were many matters of great importance and significance which were recommended for Commons debate. If they were in the shape of a parliamemary Bill, they would never be brushed aside with 90 minutes' debate.

The committee needed substanting Mr Albert Booth—On December 1, 1977, the Department of Employment's regional directors in England will be replaced by regional manpower services directors (RMSDs) of the Manpower Services Commission appoonted with my approval.

These RMSDs will represent both myself and the MSC in their contacts with local authorities, economic planning councils, employers, unions and the regional representatives of other Government departments. The committee needed substantial terms of reference or there should be a fully-fledged Select Committee on European Affairs. They would then be able to combine the work of scrueiny, which must be preserved whatever took place, with discussion en masse.

representatives of other covera-ment departments.

They will have general oversight of the development and operation of Manpower Services Commis-sion's services in their regions and will take direct control of MSC special programmes for young neonle.

will take direct control of MSC special programmes for young people.

There will be seven RMSDs, one each for the Northern, North-west, Yorkshire and Humberside and South-west economic planning regions (EPRs), one for the West Midlands and East Midlands EPRs, one for London who will be the representative for the South-east EPR and one for the rest of the South-east and East Anglia who will be the representative for the East Anglia ePR.

The Department of Employment at regional level will continue to administer the temporary employment subsidy, the small firms employment subsidy, the small firms employment subsidy, the small firms employment subsidy and the job release scheme; the race relatious

There must be a coherent committee system so that departments of state could come under scrutiny one by one by a committee of AIPs who would over a period become familiar with a period period.

who would over a period become familiar with a particular area of public policy.

They would never achieve the proper democratic scrutiny and control they wanted unless they radically overhanled the committee

Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and Shet-laud, L) said that one difficulty which they would face increas-ingly, particularly when there was a Scottish Assembly, was that a great many people would not know where regulations affecting their lives had come from.

The Community had to mobilize support to show it was not harm-ing people in their ordinary occu-pations and dally lives. It had to reassure people they had some means of expressing their view.

Mr Dongias Jay (Wandsworth, Bat-tersea, North, Lab) said they were dealing with legislation. Negotia-tion was one thing, and legislation was different.

It was not good enough for ministers or the Government to argue that they could not in all cases ensure that there was discos-

argue that they could not in all cases ensure that there was discussion in time in the House because sometimes ministers were involved in negotiations in Brussels.

Of course they were, but that did not absolve them from the obligation to permit a discussion in the House in good time before a legislative Act was passed in Brussels.

All that was proposed here was that an undertaking given to him in June. 1974 should be embodied in a resolution of the House. The Government were being asked only to agree to a resolution which confirmed what they professed to be doing as a result of their undertaking already.

Modest as the proposal was it was fully in accordance with the Prime Minister's letter to the Secretary of the Labour Party which said it was one of the Government's main aims to achieve greater control by national partialments over this legislation.

Mr Nell Marten (Banbury, C) said

Mr Neil Marten (Banbury, C) said

Air Neil Marten (Banbury, C) said it was a curious campaign from this Mr Wood. Recently his articles had been suffering from Dutch elm disease. It was extraordinary that the article Mr Wood wrote in The Times some time ago was picked up almost next week by The Economist. then translated by the Pinancial Times and so on

papers on the effectiveness of the committee showed a woeful lack of anderstanding of its purpose. They also failed to recognize the limitations imposed upon the committee by its terms of reference.

The committee did not attempt to pass collective judgment on the merits of a particular proposal. It would be difficult to do so in most cases. The committee had a mental for the second mental of the committee had a mental for the second conditions to the committee had a mental for the second conditions to the committee had a mental for the second conditions to the committee had a mental for the second conditions to the pressure of th

All they had to do was to get that and copy it cut. There was a trice article for these commentators to write.

If (he went on) they want to hear whar our arguments are they have to stay up all 11.30 at night have to stay up all 11.30 at night and they would not like to do that. So we get a bad name.

Ministers must make statements to the House on what they had been up to. The worst offender was the Treasury. They went off and agreed the sixth directive on value added tax. No statement was made to the House, but a written question was planted on some supporter of the Chancellor and was a nawered in a written answer. It was a monstrous way to treat the House on such an important point.

They were laying down something quite firmly in this motion. He hoped it would be excepted by both sides of the House and would be deeply suspicious if either side turned it down.

Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove, C) end was a direct to the House with a recommendation which went some way towards minch they would not the House with a recommendation which went some way towards minch the foot of the House with a recommendation which went some way towards the House with a recommendation which went some way towards the House with a recommendation which went some way towards the House with a recommendation which went some way towards the House with a recommendation which went some way towards.

turned it down.

Mr Tom Arnold (Hazei Grove, C) said some Mrs did not have that much interest in the nuts and bolts of Community legislation. He did not see how a British Government could properly defend or advance the country's interests if they were to be prevented from taking action which they believed vital and had to wait for parliamentary approval for that action.

Mr. Michael Classes (Figure 1) must be preserved whatever took place, with discussion on masse.

Mr Michael Stewart (Hammer-smith, Folham, Lab) said a minister would find it almost impossible

to conduct negotiations with foreign powers, in the EEC or not. If he was told he could not agree 1; this or that until the House had gone through a certain procedur. cone through a certain procedur?

One remedy lay in the guillotine.
If MPs were to have proper time to debate these matters they would have to spend less on something else. Other business would have to be squeezed. The House should move towards more frequent use of timetable motions on major Bills. This would remove the temptation to waste time. tation to waste time. Mr Bryan Gould (Southampton

Test, Lab) said that time was already made available for these debates. They were only askir; that they should be made more effective.

Even if the result were a delay in decision-making in Brussels, that was the price to be paid for democ-racy over what should be the law and what taxes should be paid in

Sir David Renton (Huntington-shire, C), for the Opposition, said that now that Britain bad several years' experience of membership of the EEC and the working of its institutions the time had come for

institutions the time had come for her to let them know diplomatically of ways in which the EEC could improve their procedures and enable the Commons and other national Parliaments to facilitate their twork of lizison, cooperation, scrutiny and influence.

Harmonization was being overdone, Riciculous things were happening. Harmonization was good when it brought constrict up to the standard of the best, like the recent directive on bird conservation which was based on United Kangdom legislation.

Mr Michael Foot, Lord President Mr Michael Foot, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House (Ebbw Vale, Lab), said the

Government had sought to meet the representations that had come from all parts of the House to try to improve the way in which they dealt with EEC matters. dealt with EEC matters.

That did not mean the Government thought the present procedures were fully satisfactory. He certainly did not and they had to make a fresh effort to ensure they were made satisfactory.

This was a matter that touched on the power of the House of Commons; it touched on it at a semidire series of pulms and it.

sensitive series of points and to that sense it touched on the repre-sentation of the people. It was of major impurtance that they should make a fresh effort to see whether they could get a better arrangement, a better accord, between the procedures of the House and those of the Common Marker.

Prime Minister's letter to the general secretary of the Labour Party (Mr Hayward).

The Government were having a firsh examination of the whole of these procedures. He hoped it would not be too long before they were able to come to the House ware able to come to the House were able to come to the House ware able to the House were able to the House ware to be the House the H

neeting it. The debate was adjourned.

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#### Science report

### Biology: Surprising discovery on genes

New techniques for studying genetic material have led to the revolutionary discovery that animal genes, instead of being ell in one piece, are interrupted with structions of genetit material of unknown function. Hitherto the only genes that had been available for denalled study were those of bacteria. In bacteria, the chromosomal DNA, which makes up the genetic blueprint, instructs the genetic blueprint, instructs in making of essential proteins in a simple way. The sequence of chemical building blocks in the protein.

There was no reason to suppose sequence of chemical buttaring blocks in the protein.

There was no reason to suppose that what was true for bacteria would not turn out it be true for bigher organisms. But there was no way of checking that because of the lack of appropriate technology.

Recently, however, with the advent of genetic engineering with recombinant DNA, it has become possible to investigate the ways in which genes are strung out upon the chromosomes of, for example, chickens and man. So far only three particular genes have been studied and in each case, against all expectations, it has emerged that the chromosomal DNA coding for the protein under study was not arranged as a continuous sequence.

The perticular example reported in Nature concerns the gene of the Chicken that codes for the protein ovalbumin, one of the major proteins in egg white, and is the work

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Dr Chambon and his colleagues, however, used the RNA they had collected to make a DNA copy of the message. The copy DNA was men reproduced by genetic engineering in sufficient quamity to be radioactively labelled and so used as a "probe" to identify the matching sequences in DNA pieces isolated from the chromosomes. Instead of attaching itself to a single piece of chromosomal DNA. Instead of attaching inself to a single piece of chromocomal DNA, as expected, the labelled probe was found to stick to four different pieces. That implies that the DNA sequence, containing the instructions for synthesizing ovalbumin, is not a containing the mistrations for synthesizing ovalbumin, is not a containious sequence but instead is interrupted by other sequences of DNA at least three times.

times.
The interrupting sequences have been named inserts or spacers.
Their lengths vary, but one in the ovalbumin sequence is longer than the total length of the coding sequence itself. Results to be published by at least three other laboratories before the end of the year suggest that inserts are not peculiar to the ovalbumin gene and may even be the norm.

Professor Williamson, a member of the Genetic Mampulation Admisory Group, which making our British genetic engineering with recombinant DNA, also points out that the complexities of decoding thromascons. that the complexities of decoding chromosomal messages of higher organisms, as now disclosed by the discovery of gene inserts, are such that it is unlikely that busterin could decode animal genes. In that case it should be possible to dispel a good deal of concern that has centred on the worry that bacteria might be able to decode the genes for toxic substances inadvertently put into the bacteria in the course of genetic engineering.

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#### Market share position of British Leyland 'extremely serious' report which the NES will make to

The National Enterprise Board Mr Varley—The question about would receive British Leyland's trying to relate the needs of the corporate plan around the end of machine tool industry is something the year, and it would then be for the Government to make their land. the Covernment to make their decision. Air Eric Variey, Secretary of State for Industry (Chesterfield, Lab) said during questions. Mr Terence Walker (Kings-wood, Lab) asked if the wood, Lab) esked if the Attorney General would refer to the Director of Public Prosecutions, with a view to prosecution for fraud, the activities and advertising in the United Kingdom of Statish Cold Real Estatish Indian Mr Richard Page (Workington, C) had asked when the Secretary of State would next meet Mr Michael Edwardes, chaisman of British Leyland, and Mr Varley indicated he was due to see Mr Edwardes larer today.

later today. Mr Page—Will the Secretary of State ensure that the new chairman is fully aware of the vital necessity of having plans for new models throughout the Leyland range, and in particular work and progress towards a new fleet of medium family saloons?

To that end, he should ensure that if extra finance is needed, adequate parliamentary time and adequate parliamentary time and discussion is made available.

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Mr Variey—As to the model range, that is a marter for British Leyland. The new chairman is fully aware of that factor. On parliamentary time and debate, I will consider that. Mr Anthony Durant (Reading, North, C)—The distributors are anxious to have a middle range car. They are not convinced of the ments of the new Mint. Mr Varley—That is a matter for the British Leyland board. I will draw his interest to them.

draw his interest to them.

Mr Thomas Litterick (Birningham, Selly Oak, Lab)—He should urge the chairman to indicate his company's expansion plans, with the investment and production plans of the British machine tool industry.

When does he expect to have a planning agreement or planning agreement or planning agreements with both British Leyland and the machine tool manufacturers?

land.
On planning arrangements with British Leyland, they have participation arrangements agreed during the time of the Ryder report. Some have been successful. Unfortu-nately, some of the grade unions at the plants are not taking part, I hope they will.

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Mr Hilary Miller (Bromsgrove and Redditch, C)—He should explain to the chairman that the House word funds for British Leyland on the basis of the Ryder plan. If that is now changed or overtaken by events, it will be mecessary to come back to the House again for the approval of further funding. approval of further funding.

Mr Varley—The National Enterprise Board will receive British
Leyland's corporate plan around
the turn of the year. It will be for
the Government then to decide.

Sir Keith Joseph, chief Opposition
spokesman on industry (Leeds,
North-East, C)—In the light of the
difficulties for British Leyland,
steel, ships and seroplanes, does
he still believe in Clause Four?

Mr Verley—He ought to do

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Mr Variey—He ought to do a check list of the two 1974 Labour Party mamifestos and he will see that the only aspect of those manifestos that has not been fulfilled, including the expansion of British industry, is the point raised by Mr Litterick. Mr Litterick.

We have not made as much progress as we hoped on planning agreements. That is something we hope to rectify. The Labour Party stands for extension of public ownership and we are doing that. Mr Tom Arnold (Farel Grove. C) later asked if Mr Varley was satisfied that British Leyland had a feasible programme for returning to commercial viability.

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Mr Varley-I am awaiting the

me when they have received and considered British Leyland's revised corporate plan. Mr Arnold—What specific criteria will the Government use this time round in assessing whether the company's production targets are sufficiently precise? Mr Varley—It depends on the plan we shall receive and the amount of

we shall receive and the amount of resources that will be required—resources which would come from public famds and resources we hope British Leyland will be able to generate from profits.

It is clear that the market share position of British Leyland is extremely serious. The Ryder plan for Leyland investment envisaged a share of 33 per cent and it is much lower, but I am confident that the retstablished Leyland board will tackle this as quickly as possible.

Mr Litterick—When does he Mr Litterick—When does he expect to conclude a planning agreement with Bridish Leyland without confusing is with the abortive participation agreement between management and workers? hir Variey—I am sure that like most of us on this beach he greatly

regress that the participation scheme has not been carried through. I know of no constraints, no difficulties, to prevent British Leyland and the workforce concluding a planning agreement if they want to. Mr Hilary Miller—Does he accept that the commercial visibility of the rest of the British car industry rests on being organized on a European basis? Has he thought about such an arrangement for British Leyland?

Mr Variet—The other British car manufacturers have integrated some of their operations within Europe. There has been a protocol signed by British Leyland and Renault on technical assistance.

of the firemen's strike.

Mr Patrick Cormack (South-West Staffordshire, C) said that MPs had been told by notice at the weekend that showing people the Robing Room would be restricted and the size of parties would be limited. Most of the parties were from schools and most clayes were more than 16 in number.

The Speaker said he boped the House would cooperate in the materials of the local education authority ter.

### Criminal libel charges against journalists

Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirling-stire. Lab) asked the Attorney General how many official court visits he had made during the cur-rent session of Parliament.

nal, this is sub fudice and a matter in respect of which I have applied to the Divisional Court to consider. That is the proper way of doing it.

on about the need for reformation of the law of criminal

Mr Samuel Silkin, Attorney General (Southwark, Dulwich, Lab)—None. The Lord Chancelor has ministerial responsibility for the administration of the courts in England and Wales. Mr Canavan—During his previous court visits, has Mr Silkin formed

young people and murder of one of my constituents, should be allowed out of jell after two years and manage to persuade a magistrate to imprison three journalists and lay criminal libel charges against two others whose only crime was that they were responsible for exposing the Gleaves racket.

Mr Silkin-The second part is sub judice and I cannot comment. Reform of the libel law is a matter for the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary. On this particular aspect of it, there are conflicting recommendations from the committee on defamation and the Royal Commission on the Press. They are being considered.

### Smaller parties of visitors

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas) said that restrictions on the size of parties allowed to tour the Palace of Westminster with MPs would apply during the firemen's strike. Mr Greville Janner (Leicester, West, Lab) had said he had been unable to get an assurance that the restrictions would end with the end of the firemen's strike.

### Preliminary talks on next year's EEC farm prices

member states are to meet in Brus-sels on December 5 and 6. Mr Frank Judd, Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, said in a statement about EEC meetings next mouth. During December, he said, seven meetings of the Council of Ministers were

Mr Judd said: Fishery ministers will meet on December 5 and 6; covironment ministers on December 12 and 13; energy ministers on December 13; foreign ministers on December 19 and 20; transport ministers on December 20 and 21; and social affairs ministers on 21; and 32; and 32; and 32; and 33; and 34; and 34; and 35; and 34; a ters on a date yet to be agreed. In addition there will be a meeting of Community health ministers on December 13.

Agriculture ministers are expected to have a preliminary discussion on the common agricultural policy price preposals for 1978-79. They are also expected to consider the Commission's report on the use of the European Unit of Account in the common agricultural policy and proposals for the chaster out of manetary compenphasing out of monetary compen-satory amounts, as well as propo-sals for Mediterranean agriculture. producer groups, a sheepmeat certain external fisheries matters, regime, import arrangements for and the continuation of negotia-

jects: financial aid to demonstra-non projects; and a directive on heat generators. They are also likely to resume their considera-tion of refining problems within the Community; financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation; and aid for financing cyclical stocks of coal. Foreign ministers will consider certain external fisheries matters,

Fisheries ministers will continue their discussions on the internal regime of the common fisheries policy.

Enteronment ministers are expected to consider various proposals relating to the protection of the environment.

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munity investment in transport infrastructure projects: and hijacklug and terrorism. They will also
follow up the United Kingdom presidency initiative on the common
transport pulicy with a discussion
on the future programme of work
on transport subjects.
Social affairs ministers will consider Commission proposals on
youth employment. Incy may also
formally adopt the texts on the
review of the Social Fund.

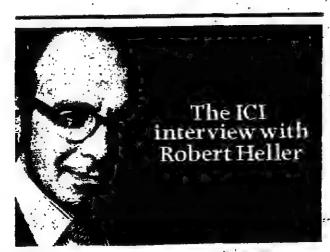
A meeting of health manisters of
member states will take place in
Brussels on December 13. This is
not a formal meeting of the Concil as such, and will not take
formal decisions, but is a meeting
arranged within the framework of
the Council to give health ministers an opportunity to exchange adjustment of national taxation systems for commercial vehicles; community driving licences; comters an opportunity to exchange views on common problems.

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# 'Effective management has to become a shared objective.'

Geoffrey Richards, ICI



Today, worker participation is the subject of intense political and industrial controversy. Since its formation in 1926, ICI has believed that effective consultation is at the root of good industrial relations, and a Joint Consultation System has been set up to ensure that the views of employees at all levels, whether factory or office staff, are known before important decisions are taken.

But how does the system work at grass roots, where the organisation has been left deliberately flexible?

Robert Heller, Editor of Management Today, asks Geoffrey Richards, Manager of ICI's Grangemouth works, how he has set about improving participation on his large complex site.

Heller: Do you regard it as practicable, with a workforce of nearly 2,000, to involve people in important decisions that you as a manager have to make?

Richards: Yes, I do. One of the priorities in industry must be to find ways of taking employees' views into account before major decisions are taken. Obviously the larger the unit the more problems

there are. At Grangemouth we're making a large number of complex chemicals - everything from dyestuff to pharmaceuticals and agricultural chemicals, and the number of people engaged in each process is correspondingly small. In effect they form natural work groups of between six and ten people, including the appropriate supervisor and junior manager. Other work groups involve office staff too. What we decided to do was to involve all these small groups in consultation.

Heller: And this makes it easier to obtain improved working relationships?

Richards: One thing I've learned is that you often get better results by discussing problems and jointly evolving ways of doing things with the people concerned. Because then people have ownership of the system, which is terribly important. They want to make it work.

Heller: What kind of information do they get? Richards: Well, for instance, at Works Committee and Staff meetings I will tell them how well we



are doing compared with our budget and previous. performance. Not only that, but we discuss their own particular area of business, and the performance of their Division or ICI as a whole.

Heller: Do employees themselves contribute a great deal?

Richards: Oh yes. They come up with plenty of ideas. For example, in the 1975 recession we got together to work out how to cope with reduced demand without having to lay people off, and without damaging the business. Joint groups have helped to solve all sorts of problems - from local matters like the introduction of a better shift system to national issues like whether the company should or should not opt out of the state. pension system.

Heller: How have your employees reacted to all

Richards: On the whole, very well. But inevitably there are problems, because we're all learning. The shop stewards are learning about some of the management's problems - about economics, the real uncertainties in the business world, and so on. And managers are getting a deeper understanding of shop stewards' problems - that they have what is in effect a managerial role to perform in their own organisations. It's a very important mutual learning process.

Heller: Some people argue that what's really wrong with British industry is bad communication between management and work people. Do you think that's true?

Richards: Communication becomes much more effective if people can say, "Well I see that affects me. Now we can talk about problems together and do something about them". Effective management has to become a shared objective,

Heller: Has the works derived any concrete, measurable benefit from the introduction of Work Groups?

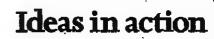
Richards: Yes. Output per capita has grown at roughly twice our rate of the mid-sixties, and the rate of profitability and therefore investment has increased quite markedly



"The rate of investment and profitability has increased quite markedly," explains Geoffrey Richards to Robert Heller.

Heller: Finally, do you ever hanker for the simpler days when all decisions were taken by management alone?

Richards: No. That sort of simplicity would no longer work. People's needs and expectations have changed quite markedly over the years. Above all, running a works is a pragmatic business. One of the fascinations of my job is that the whole process of involvement is going to go on developing - at least for my lifetime.





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Cricket



The Forest keeper: Woods, a 17-year-old comes in to replace Shilton in goal against Aston Villa tonight.

## Yorath sees the danger but will not turn back physical strength but City do not always have theirs under control. Ipswich will need the services of Beattle, who has made a remarkable recovery from a cartilage operation and is in the party. Both of last season's finalists, Everton and Aston Villa, remain in the competition. Everton, the eventual losers after two replays, should not be upset by Sheffield Wednesday, but the match letween Northgham Forest and Aston Villa is less predictable. At their last meeting, on the

Football Correspondent
Liverpool's long-standing preoccupation with the weightier
affairs of the championship and
Europe has undoubtedly had a
direct bearing on their cool attitude towards the Football League
Cup, in which they have never
progressed further than the fifth
round. The question they may now
ask is whether they can afford not
to put their whole hearts into
this competition, now that League
form indicates their season that
may not be full of glittering prizes,
Tonight, at Antheld, they play
Coventry City in the fourth round
still meeting some reassurance that Covenity City in the fourth round still meeting some reassurance that the necessing some reassurance that the necession of uncharacteristically sloopey performances did indeed end on Saturday when they beat Letrester City 4—0 at Fithert Street. If Covenity City themselves lead not been thrashed 6—0 by Everton the same day, the meeting would have been unreservedly advertised as one of the season's grand attractions on Merseyside. But now Covenity's confidence may not flour as strongly.

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Yorath, the Coventry captain, who leads like a standard bearer, bravely and with experienced cunning, says his team have decided upon an attocking course for the season and a 6—0 defeat by Everton is no reason to retract. If that is the case, tonight's match puts them in danger but has the promise of excitement. At their last League meeting, at Anfield in September, Liverpool won 2—0.

Coventry should be strengthened in attack by the return of Ferguson after three matches. His partnership with the firry Wallace has been successful elsewhere. Hofton may also return after six matches but, for Liverpool, there is some drubt over the fitness of Hughes who has a now throw. to limit a mover throug.

Ipswich Town and Manchester City may be feeling that it would be no ill store to have the League Cup up their aleeves as as insurance against other disappointmens. Last sesson may were consing Liverpool in the champion ship and disappeared from the competition in only the second round. They are drawn together at Portman Foad and, after City's 6—2 defeat of Chelses on Saturday and Ipswich's fine win over Earcelons in the Uefa Cup last week, thear is reason to expect a good tie today.

Both teams have impressive pressure in defence, even without pressure in defence, even with pressure in defence in de

Yachting

#### Traite de Rome is still the race leader

Anckland, Nov 28.—Heavy seas have battered yachts in the later stages of the 7,400 mile Capetown to Auckland leg of the Round the World race.

The crew of the British yacht,
Kings Legend, which was the third
boat to arrive here, have been
pumping out water from the aft
section of the boat for two weeks,
Two fibreglass experts will be
flown from Finland to help repair flown from Finland to help repair cracks near the rudder.

Mearwhile, the 65 foot Swiss ketch, Disque D'or, was today the fifth boat to finish this second stage of the four-leg race.

The first boat to arrive was the 77 foot British Heath's Condor on Friday, skippered by Robin Knos-Johnston. Britain's 77 foot Great Britain II arrived in second position on Saturday. King's Legend and the Dutch-owned Flyer arrived yesterday.

The European Common Market entry, Traine de Rome, is not due for several days but remains current race leader on handicap.

for several days but remains cur-rent race leader on handicap, according to last reports.

The British ADC Accutrat, skip-pered by Clare Francis, rounded the northern tip of New Zealand

early yesterday.

Behind her the 55 foot British boat, Adventure, was still 300 miles from the Northern Cape The starting date for the third leg of the race to Rio de Janeiro will be decided when ten of the fifteen yachts have arrived in Anckland.—Reuter.

Young Wels. am will pose for charging the problem of the particular arrived in Anckland.—Reuter.

#### Southampton win

Caen, Nov 28.—Southampton Athletic Club won the team event at an international cross-country meeting here yesterday. The individual winner of the nine kilometre (5.6 miles) race was Aniceto Simoes, of Portugal. Britain's Neil Copland finished fourth —Reuter.

### Close beats champion

MeBourne, Nov 28.—Robert Close, of England, yesterday won through to the final of the world billiards championsh when he beat the defending champion. Norman Dagley, of England, by 1,912 points to 1,781. Close meets Michael Ferreira, of India, in the final. The Indian hear Clive Everton, of Wales, 2,155 to 1,310.—Reuter.

Tce bockey

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Buffalo Sabres
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### Wigan see Wednesday as a stepping stone

Wigan Athletic, looking for yet another FA Cup run to help their cliances of promotion to the Football League, have a home draw with Sheffield Wednesday, managed by Jack Charlton, in the second round on December 17. It is a fitting reward for their first round defeat of York City, of the fourth division, on Saturday. At least one non-league Saturday. At least one non-league side will go into the hat with the first and second division clubs in the next round for Nuneaton Borough and Kettering Town meet in an ail-Southern League tie. in an all-Southern League tle.
Minehead await the result of
the replay between Newport
County and Exeter City with
hopes of a crowd far bigger than
the 1,050 who saw them beat
Wycombe Wanderers on Saturday,

the 1,050 who saw firem beat Wycombe Wanderers on Saurday, especially if Exerer are the team making the short journey. Southead should know what to expect when they visit AP Leamington, also of the Southern League. They made the same journey in the first round of the 1974-75 competition and won 2—1. Enfield's prize for their first victory over a League club is a trip to Northampton. Enfield ended a 77-year wait with their 3—0 victory over Wimbledon and now travel to a ground with a capacity of 20,000. Alan Diment, Enfield's secretary, said: "We kepped for a better draw than that. We would have preferred a home the but I suppose it could have been worse." Incentives for non-league sides facing midweek replays include a home game with Peterborough for Weymouth, if they can beat Gillingham tomorrow, and a home the against Reading for Weald-stone, if they beat Hereford the same night. Wealdstone went out at Reading in the first round last season, losing 1—0 and having two men sent off. Their manager, Alan Forgarry, said: "Obviously, our summit is Wednesday's replay

tonight will be a flome tie with Brentfurd. Boreham Wood's secre-tary. Carl Wikinson, said: "It would be a marvellous occasion. Brentford would pack the ground but we must beat Swindon before

Tibury, of the Isthmian League, are to protest to the Football Association that Len Glover, of Kettering, was ineligible to play in the fie at Tibury which Kettering won 1—0. Geoffrey Paisley, Tilbury's secretary, said: "It is a horrible thing to do but I must lodge a protest about this. According to information received by my ing to information received by my club, Kettering obtained an inter-national clearance for Gover from America the weekend before the

this stage of the competition is 14 days. Therefore, if our information is correct, he was not entitled to play." Glover, a former Chariton Athletic and Leicester Chariton Athletic and Leicester City winger, recently returned to England after playing for Tampa Bay Rowdies. He was also in the Kettering team that knocked out Huchin in the previous round.

Kettering's secretary, Maurice Marston, said; "This has come out of the blue, Nothing was said at Tilbury on Saturday when relations between our officials and ar Indury on Saturday when rela-tions between our officials and theirs were amicable. I'd rather not say any more until I have heard from Tilbury." A spokes-man for the FA said: "We have yet to hear anything official from Tilbury but if we do, we will investigate."

#### Second round draw of FA Cup

AP Learnington v Southens.

Buth or Plymouth v Cambridge United.

Blyth Spartans v Chesterfield.

Boretam Wood or Swindon v Breatford.

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Crews v Scarborough.

Glitingham or Weymouth v Pater
barotigh.

### Aston Villa is less predictable. At their last meeting, on the City ground in September, Forest won 2—0 but some changes have taken place since then. Tonight Forest are unable to include Shilton, their regular goalkeeper, and Gemmil, who are cup-tied. The replacement for Gemmil could well b Bowver and in goal will be a 17-year-old, Woods, who has played one previous senior game and is an England youth international. Walsh not for International. The appearances of the young international players are encouraging, especially as in the post there has been too much wastage between youth and samfor level. Mike Smith, the Weish team manager, is playing his part in encouraging inexperienced players by including Harris, Leeds United, Curtis, of Swansea City, and Nardellio of Coventry, in his party from which the will choose the team to play West Germany on December 14. They replace the more experienced Toshack, Roberts and Thomas. Enzo Bearzot's determination not sale, Brown tells McGarry

Newcastie's new manager, Bill McGarry, has had a cool reception from Blackpool in his enquiries about their Republic of Ireland striker, Michael Walsh. Mr McGarry spoke to Blackpool manager, Alian Brown, over the weekend. Mr Brown said: "As for as I am concerned time is no chance of a deal."

He also squashed rumours that he would be interested in bringing Burns back from Newcastle to Bloomfield Road in a swap deal." Bill McGarry wants a striker for the first division, but we have to keep our best players to get us there.

erts and Thomas.

Enro Bearzot's determination not to tamper with his Italian international team was criticized by his countrymen before and after the defeat by England. Yesterday it was confirmed that at least one alteration would be made in the team to piay Lurembourg in the final match of England's World Cup group in Rome on Saturday. Faccheni, the most experienced Italian player, has a police muscle and will not appear. One cannot think that this will in any way threaten Italy, who need only win by 1-0 to qualify for Argentina and should not be under any pressure in defence, even without Facchetti's pressure. Today's fixtures

Ali's latest battle will

problems for champion

National Sporting Club, London, total to include the character of the line for him. Down in him. Wales, where the challenger, May Johnny Owen, comes from, they point to Maguire's fading record, his age (29), his long career, and the fact that he no longer he has presses home his attacks the way was the used to.

Paddy Maguire, of Belfast, with all the ambition and incendefends his British bantamweight tive of a 21-year-old who has his title for the first time, at the career to come. He also remembational Sporting Club, London, bers—and is probably not allowed to forget—what other Weish believe that this will be the end

Magnire has been having hard bouts for a long time because that is his style. It took him until late 1975 to win the British title and he has not defended it since. He

#### Allison flies to Memphis to discuss offer

Malcolm Alkison left London yesterday for Memphita, Tennessee, where he well discuss a lucrative offer to coach a new team being set up there. Before leaving Heath-row, the former Cryssin Palace and Manchester City manager said: "I aspect I will finalize the comeract this week and I'll begin working in America in January. At the moment there are no players signed up so I'll be starting from scranch."

Mr Allison who has been consided: "I'll be trying to get a squad of 11 European and at American players. I'm very excited at the prospects. It will be a great challenge."

Scottish the deste Scottish tie date

Last night's Scotish League Cup semi-final between Forfar Achietic and Rangers at Hampden Park was postponed because of the threat of fog. The match has been restranged for the same ground on Monday, Decamber S. Everton game all ticket Everton's meach with Man-chester United at Goodison Park on Boxing Day will be all ticket with a crowd limit of \$2,800. Millwall have sold all their stand dickets for their bome metch against Tottenham Hotspur on Boxing Day.

#### Tennis

#### Mrs Cawley wins another singles title

Madrid, Nov 28.—The world heavyweight champion, Muhammad Ali, faces the possible loss of his World Boxing Council (WBC) title at the WBC's asmall (WBC) title at the WBC's amand (Convention opening here to morrow. An application by Ali for an extension of a WBC dead-line to meet the number one contender, Ken Norton, has met with a varied response in council circles and a lively debate is expected.

Norton is expected to attend the convention in person to argue that Ali is sying to avoid a match against him and to demand he be stripped of the heavyweight crowd. The WBC gave Ali until December 31 this year to arrange a bout with Norton, after Norton is the time with the mumber one contender—otherwise he devalues the meaning of the world champion."

The convention will also consider the perennial problem of relations with boxing's other to become chief contender. But Ali has asked for an extension until February 15, arguing he has already met Norton three times, bearing him twice, and wants to give other boxers a chance.

Council sources said the consider the perennial problem of relations with boxing's other the perennial problem of relations with boxing's other the perennial problem of relations with boxing's other the perennial problem of relations with boxing so there we can let him joke around fighting whom he likes. When he likes when he likes.

The WBC president, lose Stalinan, asid: "The point is we all admire the man—he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is but we man, asid: "The weather we can let him joke around fighting whom he likes when he likes. The water the man—he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is other with the man he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is other with the man he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is other with the man he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is other with the man he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is other with the man he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing is other with the man he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing Melbourue, Nov 28.—Evonne Cawley increased her earnings to more than 40,000 dollars in eight days when she won the delayed women's final at Kooyong today. She took only 44 minutes to dispose of her fellow Anstralian, Wendy Turnbull, 6—4, 6—1.

Mrs Cawley said after the match that the delays had made her edgy. "But I still felt good once I got on the court. I was a bit surprised at how easy it all was," she said. Miss Turnbull said that the slippery grass surface on the centre court had worried her. "I was afraid to run because I was worried that I might slip and injure myself", she said.

The match started two hours late because of rain and, although the court was covered overnight, it was exposed when drizzle stopped play as the two finalists were warming up. Once the match started Mrs Cawley, who won a tournament in Sydney last week, left no doubt that she was back to her best form. She needed only 17 minutes to win the second set before 1,000 spectators who braved the cold, wet conditions. New York, Nov 27.—Tracy Austin, the 14-year-old American schoolgirl who played at this year's Wimbledon and Forest Hills until February 15, arguing he has already met Norton three times, beating him twice, and wants to give other boxers a chance.

Council sources said the convention was likely to grant the extension, but with the warning that Ali would lose his tifle if he did not sign to meet Norton by February 15.

Some council members feel that Ali has been shirking his duties

World Boxing Association (WBA). Mr Sulaiman said: "Frankly I'm tired of the WBA—they aren't a world organisation anyway as the Europead, British and Commonwealth and African boxing federations are only affiliated to the WBC. But they exist and willie will be some council members feel that Ali has been shirking his duties schoolgiri who played at this year's Wimbledon and Forest Hills tournaments, today won the United States junior indoor tennis championships at Port Washington here. She best amother American. Pam Shriver, 7—5, 3—6, 6—4.—Agence France Press.

#### Two top players out of South African event

Johannesburg, Nov 28.—Raul Ramirez, of Mexico, and Harold Solomon, of the United States, withdrew from the South African open today. In cables so the fournament director, Owen Williams, Ramirez and Solomon, seeded third and fourth respectively, gave injuries as the reasons.

Mr Williams said he also feared the withdrawal of a Chilean, Hans Gildenmeister, who had cabled saying the Chilean Temis Federal for the Test will bound with a good growth of grass and it will be well watered and rolled before the same time as the South at the same time as the South and a same time as the south and today.—Renter. he has not detended it sume. He was unlucky not to become European champion at his first attempt in January 1976 but he was well bearen when he tried again this September. It was one of three successive defeats though, in fairness to Magnire's prospects to night, the class of opposition was higher than enything Owen has met. presses home his attacks the way he used to.

Owen is 21 years old, unbeaten, and has his roots in the valleys. His admirers compare him with limmy Wilde, but lose sight of the fact that he has had only mine bouts, three of them against the same opponent, George Sutton, whom Maguire stopped in four rounds early this year. In fact that was the last bout Maguire won.

But it will take a little more before Owen becomes as big a certainty as some of his supporters believe him to be. But he will still give Maguire trouble, for he is tall, wiry and strong

seeded third and fourth respec-tively, gave injuries as the reasons.

Mr Wikiams said he also feared the withdrawal of a Chilean, Hans Gildenneister, who had cabled saying the Chilean Tennis Federa-tion had instructed him to play in the Pan-American Games, beld at the same time as the South African open. "But Gildenneister said he would rather compete here. He has asked the Cindean authorities to release him from that commitment", serid be would rather compete here. He has asked the Chrisan authorises to release him from that commitment?

The top six seeds are: Vilas, Dibbs, Stan Smith, Filtel, Borowick and Mottran.—AP.

Syoney: Sheffleld Shield: Victoria 510 and 516 for 7 dec. (A. Yelson authorises to release him from that commitment?).

South Wales 256.

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The chief coach, Don Wilson (right) and his assistant, Kevin Brooks, at the new indoor cricket school which was opened at Lord's last night.

#### Board to discuss new indoor event English cricket authorities, after that they are willing to put 550,000

tournament, to be competed for

their defeat in the High Court, will consider what future action to take when the Test and County Cricket Board hold their winter meeting at Lord's today. They may not make a decision about whether or not to appeal against the court verdict because they will first want to consolt the International Cricket Conference, whose suthority is worldwide.

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There may be a new indoor compeniaton for county cricketers in 1978. The Board will consider suggestions for a short tournament before the season starts. The idea is to give all counties a chance to meet under one roof, for two or three days of competitive play, with matches of limited overs and possibly six or eight-a-side. The new scheme may take place in the exhibition centre at Brighton.

The sunnuncement, by BMW,

tourisment, to be competed for by the winners of the county championship, the John Player League, the Gillette Cup and the Berson and Hedges competitions, is another item on the agenda. There is a proposal to rename the county championship to the Schweppes championship. Schweppes Championson.

If counties agree, impires will be the sole judges of the fitness of grounds, pinches and light for play, in all but one aspect. The batting side will still have the right to continue in bad light if they wish. The rate at which overs are bowled in the championship and Test matches comes up for another airing, as well as the possibility of increasing the championship to 24 matches in 1979.

Whatever is decided, Cornhill

Whatever is decided, Cornhill Insurance, cricker's new sponsors,

will back England's selectors and the players they choose. The assurance came yesterday from the general manager, Cecil Eurrows. He stressed that his company was pledged to support English cricket—not only at the highest level—for the next five years. "I am sure", he said "that the TCCB will come to whatever decision is best for the game in this country." One result of the Cornhill sponsorship is that the TCCB will be able to pay Eagland's cricketers a fee of £1,000 for every Test match played at home from next summer. Another is a tour fee of £5,000 for Eagland's cricketers, one in Pakistan So those mem. now in Palestan. So those mem-bers of the present muring party who also play in all six Tests in England next year, against Pakistan and New Zealand, will have an assured income of

### Willis on a punishing schedule

Rawalyindi, Nov 28.—Fast bowling in Pakistan is a notoriously profities occupation but, if hard work is rewarded by success, Bob Willis can change all that during the next two months. Since the me next two mounts. Since the England party strived here last Friday, Willis has pushed himself through a training schedule that is normally associated with a

ing as briskly as if the tour was halfway through. The disclosure that Willia used hypnosis to help his performance received wide

Most players have contented themselves with one or two sessions in the neut each day. However, Willis has returned to his hotel room, changed into stores and training shoes, and loped off among the carts and bloycles that crowd the roads here.

For half an hour he drives himself as hard as his weary limbs will allow and only then does he feel his day's work is done. It is a pubefuls that he may be mounted to keep up even on the days of Test matches when he may be bowling two or three hard spells under a burning sun.

"I started doing it when I got back from Australia last March" he said today. "I was exhausted by the second day of the centenary Test and it is essential that I run to build up my staming."

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Willis will meed plenty of stamina on the lifeless pinches that are normally prepared for Test matches in Pakistan. They are flat strips of rolled mad which on the fifth day can be as unresponsive as at the start. In 1973, when England were last here, Geoffrey Accold's two for 95 were the best figures by a recognized opening bowler in three Tests. Willis deserves better than that.—Renter. rum to build up my stamina."

#### Gavasker and Prasanna in fitness fight

Brisbane, Nov 28.—Stanil Gavaskar and Erapalif Pratama, the Indian players, were undergoing intensive treatment today in an attempt to get fit fo othe first cricket Test against Australia starting here on Friday.

The captain, Righen Redi, said a decision on Pranamer fitses would be delayed until Friday morning if necessary, but India hope to amounce their team by lunchtime on Timusaky, Prasama, one of India's four world class spin bowlers, pulled a hamstring muscle during fielding practice last Saturday, Gavaskar, an opening bataman, also has a leg injury. Surinder Amanath, a bataman, is definitely out with a broken finger.

#### Manipulating cricket is not Packer's only game From John Woodcock

Cricket Correspondent Melbourne, Nov 28

"A watery grave; Packer money wasted": the headline in The Age, above an article by Peter Thomson, five times wimer of the British Open championship, referred not to Mr Kerry Packer's conclusing enterprise that to the total control of the second control of the sec cricketing emissprise but to the Australian Golf Club in Sydney where he has promoted the last two Australian Open champion-ships and will stage one more before his contract with the Aus-tralian Golf Union comes up for

Anstraism Goif Union are facing a revolution among those of their ramber who feel themselves to be losing control of affairs. What Peter Thomson and a great many others believe is that the Anstralian Open should rotate round the different states, not least to stimulate the game. What Mr Packer wents is to keep it at the Australian Golf Club in Sydney, where he is himself a member and which under the guidance of Jack Nickians has been converted from a pleasantly exacting test of golf into a course which only the best players on a good day can cope stift, As is the case at the Belfry, Birusingham, the artificial water hazards at the Australian Golf club are fast filling up with balls of disenchanted club members.

Mr Packer is due, therefore,

Mr Packer is due, therefore, in a year's time, for a further barganing session with Australian golf officials. There can be kinle doubt that the best thing for the game out here is for the Australian Open championship to do the rounds. At the moment it is being played exclusively at Mr

Packer's home course, to the considerable benefit of his Channel Nine, HIs attempt to manipulate the game of cricket in the same sort of way has today had a quiet time. A plea from Greg Chappell, in a newspaper article, that as a result of last week's High Court ruling the Australian Cricket Board should now consider their Packer players for Test and Sheffield Shield selection, as and when they are available, is unlikely to come to anothing. anything.

For contractual reasons anyone playing for Mr Packer is precluded, while so committed from playing for Mr Packer is precluded, while so committed, from
playing for Australia and by the
time the Packer series ands
Australia's forthcoming saries
against India will be over. What
may well happen is that the series
between West Indies and Australia, starting in West Indies in
March, will find a West Indies
in March, will find a West Indian
side, complete with all its Packer
players, playing against Australia
without any of theirs—the
Australian side, that is, which is
about to take shape against India.
In that case West Indies will feel
the Packer pinch only in a year's
time, when their leading players
will have returned to Australia to
do the rounds here again instead
of going to Pakistan to play on
the West Indian tour there.
While the usual controversy

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While the usual controversy surrounds the Brishane pitch for Friday's farst Test march against India (Bedi ond Chambraselchar have just bowled Queensland out to fir II) and III, so kieally was it suited to them) so the Packer chaus prepares to move to Geelong for a two-day match starting tomorrow between an Australian XI and a West Indian XI. Billed as superstars the Australian beam is: Robinson, Redputh, Lafed, McCosloer, Hookes, Trevor Chappell (the woungest of the three brothers), Kent, Gimnur, O'Keefe, Prior, Pascoe and Malone.

Some are staying behind in Mei-

O'Reere, Prior, Pascoe and Malone.
Some are staying behind in Melbourne to try out the floodlights by which an evening match is due to be played in a fortnight's time. As for Maurice Bembridge, that kinerant English golfer, the has a cheque for almost £5,000 in his waster which he won for coming account to Bob Shearer in a tournament which finished on the Victoria Course here yenerday. As Australian fields go it was a pretty good one.

### Cricket with white ball and black sight screen

Melbourne, Nov. 28.—Kerry Packer's experimental night of the packer's experimental night and it is likely that an ordinary coloured affairs, played with a white hall against the background of a black sightscreen and with the players possibly wearing coloured clothes.

The shape of the one day evening matches emerged here tonight after the players practised under the powerful floodlights at victorian Football League park.

The Packer organization had planned to use a yellow ball for the first of the four night matches will start at 2 pm and it is likely that an ordinary ball will be used until the floodlights are turned on, probably around 6 pm, for the last three hours of play.

The practice was a light hearted affair with the players calling out to each other where is it as they took high catches.

The Australian players land chappell and Rodney Marsh used baseball gloves for the practice, and Tony Greig suggested that coloured clothing was worth considering because of the visual interpretable that the players agreed the white ball was easier to see.

### Two youngsters signed

two young players for next season.
Glenn freshand is a 2D-year-old pace bowler, who has played for Huntingdoushire. Robert Carter is a 17-year-old medium pace bowler and bassman who played several games for Northamptonside's second team last deason.

Derbyshire County Cacket Chib's general committee will continued on the field, and there are his plans for developments of the field as well."

Rugby Union Cambridge leave out unfucky Greig

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent
Paul Parker, a cricket Sine,
who had a cartilage operation only
19 days ago, has made such a
remarkably swift recovery that he
has been included on the left wing
in the Cambridge XV to more
Oxford in the university rugby
match at Twickenham on December 6. Alastair Hignell, the capmin and England full back, who
recovered to the side last Saturday confirmed his fitness to play.

All this means that Higner has been able to pick what he cou-siders to be his strongest sade, although Parker has sail finally to prove his fitness. Parker had an outing with his college second an outing with inst conege second
XV yesterday and apparently came
through it without ill effects.
The nominated side shows two
changes from the XV who
scheezed a most heartening, victory
over Harlequins at the weekend.
O'Callaghan, an All-Blacks' wing,
who mixed that same with time. who missed that game with a minor injury, returns on the right flank; he and Hignell will be playing to their fourth university match, Parker comes in for lan Greig, brother of Tony, on the other

brother of Tony, on the other wing.
Greig, a good footbailer who has played at centre and, for incegames, on the wing, must count himself unlucky. Cambridge obviously are concerned about the lacking ability of Careth Davies, the Oxford stand-off hali, and they know that Parker is a secure performer against such turning. performer against such tactics, Joe Davies, a Welshman, who has been deprived of a Blue at scrum half in recent season; by Richard Harding and Alun Levis, at last attains his objective, in the at last attains his objective, in the centre. He has moved to that peution with encouraging results since John Robbie, an Irish truermational, arrived on the scene to embellish affairs at scrum half. Davies had httle chance of winning the scrum half position in opposition to a player of such outstanding talent, but it speaks much for his abilities as a foutballer that he has been able to adapt to the centre.

Mark Horner seemed to have recovered from a law injury to mount a strong challenge for a centre position alongside Marthew Fosh, but as the result of coacusion in a recent outing cannot even play for the LX Club against the Oxford Greyhounds. If anyone deserves sympathy, it is this centre. He has moved to that new-

one deserves sympathy, it is this gutty little Ulsterman, who now has missed his chance of a Blue in three successive seasons. On the other side of the ledger, there will be pleasure that the flanker, Stead, who missed his chance of a Blue in the last two

Sea shead.

CAMBRIDGE: \*A. J. Higra'l (Denstone and Fitzwilliam, c.). tain; \*M. W. O'Callaghan (Christchurch Boys BS, New Zenland and Enumanuel), J. S. Daties (Christ College, Bracon, and St. Joàn's), M. K. Fosh (Harrow and Magdalene), P. W. G. Perker (Collyer's and St. Catharine's); \*I. N. F. Breakey (Fettes and Christ's), J. C. Robbie (Dublin HS and Christ's); R. S. Bercoman (Merchant Taylors', Northwood, and Trinity), K. F. Geogheran (Gonzaga College, Dublin, and King's), P. A. V. Staw (Queen Elizabeth GS, Wakefield, and Downing), J. N. Ford (Milifield and Emmanuel). N. R. M. Heath (Sollhon and Downing), R. J. Stead (Radley and Selwyn), \*E. T. Butler (Moamouth and Fitzwilliam), S. V. Glanvill (Exeter and Pembroke).

OXFORD: K. Hopkins (Massteg

Comprehensive and St Edmund Hall): "R. Hoolshun (Reignte GS and St Edmund Hall), "T. A. Brysn (Hampton GS and St Edmund Hall, captain), A. Wetkin-com (Reigner), Abbar and Bryan (Hampton GS and St Emmand Hall, captain), A. Watkinson (Belmont Abbey and St Edmund Hall), "D. C. Wills (Haberdashers' Aska's and Worcester): W. G. Davies (Gwendreath GS and St Catherine's), S. J. Faktor (Larymer Upper and University); "E. C. Horne (Emmanuel and Jesus), B. Light (Lewis School, Pengam, and St Edmund Hall), "T. P. Enevoldson (RGS Newcastle and Brasenose), "R. C. Robinson (Oundle and Lincoln), K. J. Budge (Rossall and University), D. Mitchell (University) of Cape Town and St Catherine's), M. J. P. Moir (Ampleforth and Lincoln), "G. White (Diocesan College, Cape Town and University). Replacements: E. Quist-Arcton (King's College, Tamaon, and Keble), A. Thomas (Colston School, Bristol, and Keble), J. Matheson (Otago University and Worcester), J. Colemon (Sherborne and St John's), P. Woodhead (Bradford GS and Lincoln), C. Finch (Marting School, Stroud, and Queen's).

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### Weighty arguments do not devalue Royal Exchange

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Royal Exchange carries plemy of weight, but was so impressive in her most recent race, when she made all the running to beat Bredgar by 15 lengths at Fontwell Park, that it is difficult to visualize any of her rivals today proving superior. Another factor in her favour is that her amateur rider's claim will reduce her weight by 71b.

constrest opposition to Royal Toughest opposition to Royal Exchange will probably come from Amani, who was perhaps incky to win at Fakenham recently as Railway City appeared to be going every bit as well when he came down at the last fence. Amani did have the rest of the field well bearen, however. The consistent Dornle, from another in-form stable, that of Peter Arthur, seems sure to run well and Mr Moke is not out of it on his best form. Mannyboy's fitness has to be taken on trust as he is making his seasonal reappearance, but all the components of Cifford's well-oiled machine seem to need just a single worth of the states by the seasons. components of Gifford's well-oiled machine seem to need just a single rouch of the starter button to set them moving at full power. Maunyboy seems well-treated on his best form of last season and few who saw him produce that searing run to beat Ebony Rock at Sandown Park in February will look much further for the winner. Erown Jack, twice a winner over two miles on this course, should be straighter in condition than when he finished well behind Fernbrist at Wincanton and there

Gifford size has runners at Huntingdon today and his best chance of success there could liewith Legal Branch in the Paxton Novices Huntle. Preference, how-Moriey's novice steeplechaser, Royal Rescue, ran with promise when fourth to Prehihas at Nottingham, and has an obvious chance in the Termorth Novices' Steeplechase. Fair Kitty is a smart hundler who appears to have a future over fences, but both may find Grando King 100 strong. Martin Tate's eight-year-old has had a distinguished career over hundles and could make up into an above average steeplechaser.



third highest price remainder of the eight-da has featured an assortment sale has featured an assortment of mares, fillies, horses in and-out of training, and stallions. It will be around tes-time on Friday when the local stallions of the local stallions of the local stalling of the local stalling of the local stalling of the morning session when reaching 23,000 grings for Budding a young grey Petingo mare, in foal to be former Vincent O'Brien stalling of the local stalling who won Home Guard. Bundling, who won at Leupardstown as a three-year-old in 1973 and is a half-sister to a Steward's Cup winner, Apollo Nine, was purchased for the Sustex-based Priorsfield Stud. The mare was one of five sub-mitted from Mr T. C. Clyne's . Baltyheale Stud in co Limerick and the same vendor received a further 19,500 guiness for his Vienna mare. Light Opera, who has been successfully mated with

Plumpton programme

1.0 STANMER HURDLE (Haudicap : £344 : 2m)

20 BALCOMBE HURDLE (Handicap: £586: 21m)

1.30 "GALLEANO" CUP STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £634:

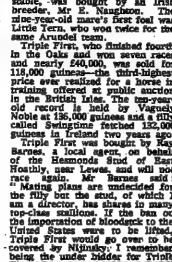
racecourse for John Dunlop's stable, was bought by an Irish breeder, Mr E. Nanghton. The more year-old mare's first foal was Little Tern, who won twice for the same Arundel team.

Triple First, who finished fourth in the Oaks and won seven races and nearly £40,000, was sold for 118,000 guineas—the third-highest price ever realized for a horse in training offered at public anction in the British Islas. The ten-year-old record is held by Vaguely Noble at 135,000 guineas and a filly called Swingtime fetched 132,000 guineas in Ireland two years ago.

Triple First was bought by Ray Barnes, a local agent, on behalf of the Hesmonds Stud of East Hoathy, near Lewes, and will not race again. Mr Burnes said:

"Mating plans are undecided for the filly but the stud, of which I am a director, has shares in many top-class stallons. If the ban on the importation of bloodstek to the United States were to be lifted, Triple First would go over to be covered by Niginsky: I remember being the under bidder for Triple First with she was sold as a roal."

A three-year-old bay filly by High Top out of Field Mouse. Triple First was trained by Michael Stoute for Raymond Clifford-Turner.





Gay Signal (left) takes the last almost level with Merry Kerry before going on to win the White Hart Handicap Hurdle at Windsor.

### Eagle's Feather's shock treatment

Taking over from the favourite, Corramacorre, at the first from home, he increased his lead. Up to last week Eagle Feather had been purshing Forster by his cantion in schools. "He was very careful and I thought it must be his back or legs, so he had two lots of electrical treatment on his back and it did the trick."

He contained: "Eagle Feather was trained by Jack Cam and the only reason he yas transferred to me was because the owner, Bill Shikes, lives at Reading and could see his horse more often instead of going to Devon." But her Stokes, a restred timber merchant, had a business appointment which prevented him seeing the victory.

off ", Miss Sinclair said,
First Break left the favourite,
Rullahman, 15 lengths in its wake
in the Russell Selling Hurdle,
First Break, a versatile and muchtravelled horse, carried the
colours of Egli Ronneberg, the
proprietor of the restaurants at
Overvoil racecourse in Norway
where his borse, had been successful.

partner, Martin Ley, his second success. Robert Money and Robert Mann were both admitted to the local King Edward VII hospital for X-ray examinations after falls in the race. Money was detained with a suspected broken leg but Mann was discharged.

last few yards of the first division Golden Spice. With a lead of four lengths landing on the flat, the

Golden Spice and was rewarded with victory by a neck.

After finishing second in her two previous attempts, Lady Nugent's Gay Signal went one better when catching Merry Kerry after an exciting contest in the White Hart Handicap Hurdle. But Gay Signal has only a few weeks left to add to her four wins to date. "The mare is to so to stud and mother wants her back before Christmes. And she does not want Gay Signal to go over fences", David Nugent, the trainer, said.

### Guest may have new star in Casamayor

Raymond Guest, an American owner, who won two Cheltrnham, Gold Cups and a Grand National with Liescargot, and Darby's with Larkspur and Sir Ivor, has another nice young jumper to carry his colours in Casamayor. He easily won the two miles five furious. Streetey Handicap Steeplechase at Wolverhampton yesterday by five lengths from The Pigarite after his most serious rival, Lucius, had fallen when leading at the tenth fence.

"He's a beautiful horse" Ian Watkinson, the winning jockey, said. However, Casamayor will

Mr Guest arrives from America towards the mrn of the year. And then, Casamayor will be running over a longer dismuce. His trainer, Peter Bailey, commented: "He was a fast two miler in America, but I think he'll stay three miles and that will be his distance next time he runs:"

the conditions of the Nuneaton Hurdle, started at 15-2 on, and outclassed his three rivals. He was the only mount roday for Bill Smith who, like the winner's trainer Fulke Walwyn, is in great form.

Rotomar Boy, not in the least inconvamienced by the 5lb penalty for his Stratford success, had the Snew Hill Handicap Hurdle won a long way out, scoring by eight lengths from Popples Love, with Staffold Pride, backed from 14-1 to 7-1 third after having every chance. Rotomar Boy was confidently ridden by Steve Davis,

#### Huntingdon programme

1.15 TETWORTH STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £534: 21m)

12.45 PAXTON HURDLE (Div I: 4y-o novices: £365: 2m 200yd)

By Our Racing Staff

12,45 Roundtown, 1.15 Royal Rescue, 2.15 Doo'Cot Park, 3.15 Kolligan



#### O'Neill none the worse for fall

John O'Neili, the leading lockey, none the worse for his fall on Sea Pigeon in the Camden Cup. South Carolina, on Saturday, is back home in Cumbria and will resume riding at Haydock Park romorrow.

O'Neë will ride The Last Light in the Edward Hasmer Memorial Steeplechase and Rantzesther in the Northern Hurdle. O'Neill said: "I grazed my leg and bruised a muscle. Sea Pigeon was going very easily when we fall three from home."

Hongkong, Nov 28.—Joe Mercer, a British jockey, will be out of the saddle for about two weeks after cracking a collar bone in a spill at the Happy Valley race-course here this weekend.—Reuter.

Windsor results

1.0 (1.1) ROYAL BOROUGH HUMBLE
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Barte—Hed Star (L 10y).
11:90 ... J. Francone (8-1) 7
Royir B. Davies (9-4) 2
Cheorigias H. Evans (25-1) 2
ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Orenne Gin,
8-1 Benny's Boy (4th; Southern
Mobilo, 16-1 Monk's Flyer, 20-1
Omoga, 25-1 Gir Panter, Hulland,
40-1 Aereikg (p). Finssle's Oiri, 12
yen. ran. TOTE: Win. 21.03; places, 18p, 11p. 80p; dual forecast, 80p. F. Winley 41 Lambourn. Nk, 81. Witter at Lambourn. Nr. 81.

1.30 RUSSELL HURDLE (2.568; 2m; First Break, b h, by Sing Sing—
Viburgum (E. Ronnoberg), 6-11-4 ... Mr M. Ley (4-1; 2 Rulinhman, ... J. Snath (4-4; 1av) 2 Strette ... G. Gracey (16-1) 2 ALSO RAN 5-1 The Winker, 7-1 Cavestons Knight, 10-1 tove Potion, 12-1; Lucky Ambition, Star Speaker 44th, 14-1 Multhon (10, 33-1 Boogle Knight, Gang Warfare, General Coady (11, Tador Massire, 1; ren to TOTE, Win, 24b, places, 17-71 ... 14-1 Multhon (10, 34) alieman at Upper Lambourn, 151, 'al. 2.0 (2.1) SALT HRL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap) 2689: 3m;

2.0 (2.1) SALT HILL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 289): 3m1

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Thrace (D. Sides), 4-10-2

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Corramacowa P. K. Michoel (7-11-8) 3

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TOTE: Wm, 159: dual forecast. 15p.
T. Forster at Wantage, 151. 308

1.30 WHITE MART HURDLE (Handicap: 2518: 3m)

Gay Signal, b m, by Lord Gayle—
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B, R. Davies (11-4) 3
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TOTE: Win, 50: places, 15-9, 28-9;
dual forecast, 5-5, 30. Wrs D. Oughlen,
at Findon, 51, 101. Pride of Plwcca
did not run.

dd not run.

3.30 ROYAL BOROUGH HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-a novices: 1:404 2m)

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Crolly (Mrs. 1. Antont). 11-0

Valarion . C. Kinano (14-1) 2

Amazon Ruler, B. R. Davies (7-4) 3

ALSO RAN: crons (ar Sweeping Along (fi. 20-1 Boot Boy, Haydock, 50-1 Gorvaler Wood (dth. Prince Ebor, Caso Study, Geordie Fusilier, Porteure, Prindowa, Terrible Trouble (pi. 13 ran.

TOTE Wid. 30p: places, 16n, 36n, 11p: dual forecast, 27 f.B. Miss A. Sincialr, at Lowes, 71, J. Henry Bishop did not run

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### Cambridge take bearings from captain on revival course

Cambridge University golfers have found the winning touch at last. With half the team still up last. With half the team still up that indicated such a heavy defeat on Oxford last March they might have hoped to have done better than lose their first seven fixtures this term, some against chubs they would normally expect to beat without difficulty. They say down to lunch in their eighth match, at Little Aston, having gleaned only half a point from the six foursomes.

singles and, with them, their first victory of the year. Since then, there have been defeats; but last weekend, in their final engagement of the term and halfway to their match against Oxford next March, they brought their total of victories to six.

They beat Royal Cinque Ports by 11½-6½ and followed it with a 7-5 foursomes victory over Royal St George's, the excitement of the finish being somewhat diminished by taking place in almost total darkness. Royal St George's are not easily beaten and particular merit attached to the performance of Warman, the Cambridge captain, partnered by Green, a postgraduate from Liverpool who plays off two at Hoyalae.

By the excellence of their short game they defeated Brookes Carey and Dr McMitchen in the top

Much of the credit for the sam revival would appear to be the to the consistent good form I Warman who has something like 18 vactories to his credit. The other old Blues are Grant, the secretary, Boal, Bonsall and Sharpe. Both last year's reserves. Coleridge and Stoker, are avail-

Warman would have no diffi-culty in issuing some invitations now to play against Oxford, but competition for the last few places looks like being fierce. In addition to Green, there are four more freshmen to be considered: Sevenson, on a postgraduate course after several years in Africa and almost of a different generation, Tunnicliffe, Knight and Murkey.

Oxford's programme for the term ends next week after a visit to Burdham for three fixtures from which they usually expect to earn at least one victory. They would have a better balance sheet to show if they had not come unstuck so badly in foursomes. During the weekend, when they played Royal Wimbledon and Sandy Lodge, they won only two out of 12 foursomes and failure in this department contributed largely to their losing a creditable advantage held over the Oxford and Cambridge Society at the

halfway stage. As it was lust overall by only 161-191: is is not easy, or even de able, for captains to work foursomes pairings at this stage because it is important for the and their older colleagues to and their older colleagues to leave to know the games of the new recruits. Last weekend they bear. North Hauts and lost by only only point to Denham and showed signs that the tide night be turning in their favour.

Hurst, Oxford's captain, has three Old Blues to call on: the secretary. Armitage, Monroe and Leach. With several freshmen connecting it will be some time

the best of these freshmen, ing near the top and giving a good account of himself. Others are Rhodes. Clemet. Wilkes Burnyeat and Robinson, another their amateur championship. To set against their defeats, including heavy ones at the hands of Hollin-well and Royal Wimbledon, Oxford can show victories against North Hams. St George's Hill and the Wigorns, as well as a tin with the Army.

### A message to be ignored at your peril

Some 250 of the best golfers in have received a letter stened by J. D. Goodban, the President of the English Golf Union, and others, including four chairmen

The letter makes searching points about each player's attitude towards his game; in particular, practice, competitive play, tactical thinking and scoring. The tactical thicking and scoring. The reason lies in their observation that, whereas long games are sounder than they used to be, scoring, judged by results in major competitions, is worse.

Are you striving too hard for technical perfection in the long game and neglecting short-game practice? If you could save two strokes a round by getting down in two from off the green twice

Anxious not only to lower the winning score but raise the general standard, they urge the player to remember the satisfaction of returning a reasonable score when you are striking the ball badly and from beating someone whose long game is better than yours." It is no disgrace, nor is it unfair, to hit the ball badly but yet score well. A good way to judge a golfer is how he scores when he is hitting the ball badly."

Amateurs are an independent-minded lot and some might find the tone of the letter too authoritarian. Yet it has been tactfully worded, asking questions ruther than laying down the law, not encreaching on the professional domain, but aware that it is addressed largely to young players anxious to reach national level.

It might indeed be dangerous for

winning score but raise the general

for granted. Millions of words have been poured out to help golfers, but these few hundred, backed by the recent experience of four Walker Cup players, Michael Bonallack, David Marsh. Rodney Foster and Gerald Micklem, contain more practical wisdom than I have read anywhere for years. Those who ignore the message will be in danger of purting themselves at a serious disadvantage against those who translate the advice into practice. Much will depend on the res-Much will depend on the res ponse from the clubs themselves in encouraging short-game prac to-earth advice as: stick an umbrella in the ground and pitch to it; earnestly practice the six foot putt on the carpet at home.

Book review

### Pitfalls and triumphs of the week-end golfer

An undistinguished year for British golf, the Open champion-side always excepted, has been matched by a slackening in the flood of golfing publications. I am not aware of any British pro-fessional having launched into print with his view of how it should be done, and the fashion for closey more are some to be been in some danger of Indigestion from the very size of the banquet laid before him.

Lato this buil has stepped a modest work which could hardly have been attempted in any other sport. Week-end Golfer by Peter Gresswell (John Murray £4.50) is the personal golfing chronicle, spread over one year, of a member of Humbercombe. The theme is his long vandetta against another, slightly lower-handicap member. Decasionally the author allows himself to be lured away to another course or opponent. Even so, it is difficult to imagine that here is sufficient from which to make a book. It is a remarkable target at which to have simed; what is even more remarkable is that he hits it, or at least scores an inner.

The secret can hardly lie in the writing, for it was a formula of which even Darwin and Longhurst have fought shy. Rather, the soccess lies in the fact that the

Hockey

#### England win second match of four

Match of four

New Delhi, Nov 28.—England beat North-Eastern Railways 1—0, in the Nehru tournament. England drew their first match 1—1 against an Indian Hockey Federation team. The Spanish team virtually lost hope of making the semi-finals when they were beaten 1—0 by the holders, Punjab Police.

The English team started strongly and got their goal in the lifteenth minute when the inside left, French, scored from close in. After this, they defended dourly. The Spain-Punjab Police match became rough in the second half after the police, looking much the better team, scored in the twenty-lifth minute. The left back, Devinder, converted a penalty corner. In today's other match, Central Reserve Police beat Delhi's Central Secretariat, 4—1.—Reuter.

Snooker

#### Third seed surprised by outsider

Saford's John Virgo, a 16 to 1 ousider, produced the first shock of the £7,000 United Kingdom professional snooker championships at Blackpool last night when he knocked out the number three seed, Dennis Taylor, of Blackburn, in the second round. Virgo took a three frames to nil lead against Taylor, ranked among the top four in the world. Then Virgo won the crucial fifth frame with a break of 39 to go 4—1 up and finished off at 5—2 by clearing the table with a 53 break

round the corner for us all. The book is not exactly funny or absorbing, but it is true and divert-ing; for much of its length it shows just why those who are not appolled by the game are enslaved

A different kind of chronicler has reappeared in print. Since his redrement from a long career in journalism Geoffrey Cousins has concentrated on research into the history of the same and has now

journalism Geoffrey Cousins bas concentrated on research into the history of the game and has now come out with the story of profusional golf in Lords of the Links (Huchinson Benham, £4.95). The earlier part contains new material on the personalities in the Open championships of the last century, but this is also the first serious attempt to trace the development of the Professional Golfers Association since its creation in 1901. Neither of these two books comes anywhere near the coffee table or the practice ground. Looking back over this year, the outstanding work in the first of these categories is The World Atlas of Golf edited by Pat Ward-Thomas (Mitchell Beazley, £12.95). The tone of this seductive lap-book is grandiose, its presentation excellent if here and there over-fragmented. The insight it shows lum the features and character of one hundred famous courses should help the reader to a better appreciation of his own and other more modest courses.

modest courses.

Real tennis

#### Lovell recovers in amazing fashion to win By Our Real Tennis Correspondent

Correspondent
Alan Lovell, an amateur, stored
a fine win, when from being two
sets down, he beat the Lord's professional, David Cull, hy 5-6.
4-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 in the open
real tennis singles tournament,
sponsored by Cutty Sark, at
Queens Club yesteday. In Thursday's semi-final round he will meet
Norwood Cripps, the home professional who beat David Johnson,
also of Lord's, after being two
sets to one down.
Lovell's resounding recovery was

sets to one down.

Lovell's resounding recovery was all the more creditable for the manner of its achievement. He had virtually lost the first two sets through poor serving, an old weakness of his, and to the observer he was better placed away from the service end. But in the latter half of the match his service improved immeasurably and with it his morale. He lost what impatience he had shown earlier and set about Cull, always a game and quick footed opponent, with considerable zest.

Cull, after winning the first two

Cull, after winning the first two sets narrowly but diligantly, reacted from the hard, live-set match he had had against From Willis the previous day. He slowed down and, for a time, made more metalog, than usual. But he down and, for a time, made more mistakes than usual. But he revived when facing annihilation at 0—3 and 15—40 in the final set. He saved that game with two nicks, a grille and a winning service and was on Lovell's heeis for the rest of the match. A chuse better than a half a yard in the last game gave Lovell the scent of victory.

victory.

Cripps beat Johnson by 6-2,
4-6, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 after two and a haf hours.

The second distribution into small grants might be impractical.—Agence France Presse.

Olympic Games.

#### Sweden hope to host 1984 winter event

accepted by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) when they meet in the spring to choose the host for the Games.

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The West coast city of Göteburgins agreed to sponsor the games since IUC rules specify only one city can fill that role. But the events would also be spread worth-eastward to Faiun, Aare and Hammarstrand to save money by taking advantage of already evisting appare facilities. existing sports facilities.

It is a revolutionary approach; Bo Bengtson, chairman of the Swedish Sports Federation and honorary general secretary of the

Swedish Sports Federation and honorary general secretary of the Olympic committee, said in an interview. He said that the idea blossomed a couple of yearsago when Sweden recommended to the IOC that the games be hosted by a country instead of a city." Arranging the games in alirendy existing facilities could be a solution to the problem of financing future olympics," Kjell Nyman, secretary of the sports department at the ministry of agriculture which overees sports activities in Sweden, said.

"I know there is interest in the idea with the IOC because the Games have grown so fast and large in scope few cities want them," Mr Bengtson said. "The Swedish plan calls for the opening ceremonies and speed skating events to be held in Sweden's ability to organize sports events on such a lavel."

The Swedish plan calls for the opening ceremonies and speed skating events to be held in Göreburg's Ullevi outdoor arena; which has a seating capacity of 53,000 and is set to host the world's kating championships in February. Göreburg's enclosed arena, Scandinavium, with a capacity of 12,000-14,000, would accommodate the hockey and figure skating.

Falun, 235 miles to the portheast, home of the world's bidest

hockey and figure skating.

Falua, 225 miles to the northeast, home of the world's tidest
company—Stora Kupparberg—and
the centre of the world's copper
production during the seventeenth
and eighteenth centuries, would
host the Nordic events, ski jumping and the biethalon.

Aare, 386 miles north of Göteburg, would stage the alpine
events. In 1976 Aare was one of
the sites for the World Cup alpine
sking championships. Hammarstrand, chosen for the bobsleigh
competition, also has previous excompetetion, also has previous ex-perience in hosting world events. Located 81 miles East of Aare, Hammarstrand has twice hosted the world tohogganing championships, —UPI.

New Delhi, Nov 28.-The Intermay distribute a portion of the television income earned during the Montreal Olympic Games to the various national Olympic committees, Lord Killania, President of the 10C, said here today.

Answering questions at a lunch in his honour given by the Indian-Olympic Association, Lord Killanin said the IOC had earned sizable revenues from television during the last Olypic Games and a special commission was currently considering whether some of these funds could be channelled to the national Olympic committees. He warned, however, that It

might not be possible to help the national committees financially to any great degree because these

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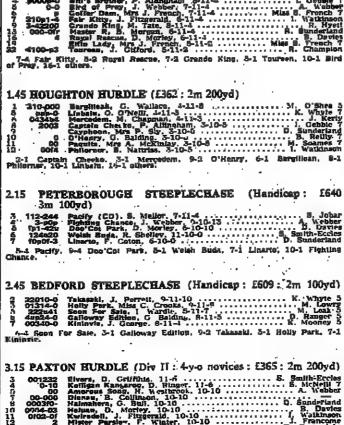
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### How organized crime buys arms and pays 'social security' to Ulster gunmen

In recent months life has changed for hardened drinkers on both the fiercely republican Falls Road and the nearby loyalist stronghold of the Shankhill. No longer can Provisional IRA volunteers (many under 17) enjoy the dubious pleasure of visiting sleazy illegal clubs with names like "The Sweetle Boutle", "Dr Hook's" and "The Zebra Crossing", while Profession members of the outlawed Ulster Volunteer Force have found their regular haunts, like the Long Bar and the Bayardo, closed down for the first time since the present crisis began. Umusually for Northern Ire-

land, the reason has not been recent bomb attacks, but rather the newfound determination of the Royal Ulster Constabulary to crack down against aspects of organized crime which have of organized crime which have flourished in parts of the province. Since August, more than 550,000 worth of liquor has been seized from a variety of illegal "shebeens" in Belfast, ranging from derelict houses with improvised counters to fully-fledged social clubs complete with gaming machines.

As well as providing fertile recruiting grounds for paramilitary groups on both sides of the sectarian divide, the unthe sectarian divide, the un-licensed clubs were also a valu-able source of income for ter-rorists and often a cause of serious social unrest in the areas concerned. The ready supply of cheap drink combined with unrestricted opening hours contributed to a steady increase in alcoholism and related ills such as wife and baby batter-



UDA men in the Shankhill Road; "welfare money" is vital.

on a scale equal to some of Europe's most notorious cities, Since that peak, the level has slowly declined because of the growing number of extremists in prison, but the security forces still acknowledge that extortion, intimidation and similar crimes exist on a wide scale. "Remember that in America, they only succeeded in jailing Al Capone on tax charges," one detective said. "Here, we often have to wait for a routine type terrorist con-viction to put away people sus-pected of operating protection rackets."

For an area with virtually no record of organized crime been produced, but it is known seven years ago, Ulster by the

middle of 1974 was suffering most common rackets is the from rackets and violent crime demand for regular payment in demand for regular payment in exchange for verbal guarantees that premises will not be bombed. Here the amounts can vary from £6 a week for a corner shop to upwards of £1,000 a month for large commercial concerns close to troubled areas.

In a number of recent cases, respectable businessmen are known to have negotiated the size of their "voluntary contributions" to some of the welfare funds set up to pay dependants of convicted retropicts. One of convicted terrorists. One Belfast industrialist who had no money at hand, offered £500 worth of cheques from his safe, and was revisited by the same gang later in the day offering to sell them back to him for £200.

Other swindles involving paramilitary groups have included the embezzlement of government money earmarked for the rehabilitation of houses in republican enclaves, wide scale thieving of Giro cheques containing social security benefits, and a system whereby local breweries were swindled out of large sums being paid for the return of monexistent empty bottles. The often confusing ethics of both Protestant and Roman Catholic paramilitary groups have prevented their involvement in either drugs or requent denials—or close con-nexions with the paramilitaries-is the provision of the black "people's taxis" which operate in many of the ghetto areas. The first of these battered, second-hand London cabs appeared when rioting forced buses off the roads in 1971. There are now at least 500 operating in republican and loyalist districts, costing the city's bus company an estimated £1.5m a year in lost fares.
In spite of recent suggestions

that a Government move against the taxis was imminent, there are strong indications that the authorities have come to recognize, however reluctantly, that they are here to stay. All are required to carry a PSV certificate and insurance from a reputable firm, making them

quite legal, if nearly impossible to compete with. Those which ply from fixed points in the Falls and Shankhill areas cram in eight or more passengers for fares of 10p and 15p. Buses, which travel more infrequently and have long been a favourite target for hijackers, will charge 13p and 26p for equivalent

While the argument will continue about the precise sources of the funds handled regularly by groups like the Provisional and Official IRA, the Ulster Defence Association and the UVF, there little doubt about what they are mainly used for. Apart from expenditure on arms, the other constant drain on cash is the established practice of making weekly payments to the dependants of con-victed members, Altogether some 1,400 men and women claiming allegiance to some paramilitary group are now imprisoned in Ulster. The families of those on the republican side receive about £5 a week, while the largest Protestant group, the UDA, is known to pay our £10 a week or more.

The payment of this "welfare money" is regarded as vital by any group which hopes to con-tinue recruiting. The security forces believe that as their clampdown on organized crime intensifies, the payments to relatives will necessarily become smaller and more irregular. In smaler and more tregular. In official eyes, the growing effectiveness of the war against racketeering should have important repercussions against the other forms of paramiliary activity for which Ulster has aiready become legendary.

Christopher Walker

#### Bernard Levin

### The priest who should make us think again about Yugoslavia

Yugoslavia is so often of this turbulent priest? presented as a country which though Yugoslavia being what manages to combine comnt is, there was no lack of those munism with freedom (it has willing to engage in a campaign). munism with freedom (it has just happened again with the news of the amnesty for some political prisoners) that I am obliged, from time to time, to point out that it is no such thing; it is a police state; the fact that it is less brutal than most other communist countries is true, and important, but does not alter the truth about its essential nature. A vivid illustration of that nature has come my way, and I present it today for the consideration of, among others. those who have allowed themselves to be persuaded that Tim, alone of the dictators, permits Yugoslavs who defy his rule to live in peace under it. For there is to be no amnesty in this case.

The story concerns a priest of the Serbian Orthodox Church, Father Sava Bankovic. He is 72 years old, and is the parish priest of a village called Beska, in the province of Vojvodina. At the end of the Second World War, when the Second World War, when Tito was consolidating his power by getting rid of those who might prove a threat to it. Father Bankovic was sentenced to death on a charge of having sympathized with the Mihaslovic forces. The sentence Mihallovic forces. The sentence was commuted to one of 15 years imprisonment, which he served without remission. On his release, he returned to pastoral work, in Beska. He there became noted for his resistance to the pressure of the Tito regime on the Serbian Church, and to the increasing insistence on athelsm in Yugoinsistence on atheism in Yugoslav society. For this, he was arrested again, in 1973; a con-tributory cause may have been the fact that he had published the fact that he had published a volume of religious essays, with a foreword by a leading Serbian theologian, who has since 1945 been confined by the regime to a monastery for his own religious resistance.

his own religious resistance.

The charge against Father Bankovic this time was "activities against the people and the state". He was sentenced to four years "strict regime" imprisonment, which he served, again without any remission, in the same prison. (Conditions in it were so bad that, although Father Bankovic was 69 years old at the time of his sentence, and in poor health, he repeatedly went on hungar-strike in furtherance of his demand for more humane treatment.) He was released in June this year. Meanwhile, the authorities had organized one of those spontaneous expressions. those spontaneous expressions of popular feeling that occur in communist countries whenever the rulers need them; this purported to express local opposition to Father Bankovic and a demand that he should not be allowed to return to his cure. (The local newspaper had curé. (The local newspaper had reported such opposition, from such notoriously objective and independent bodies as the League of Communists, some two mouths before Father Bankovic's inevitably embarrassing release was due; three days after the expiry of his sentence, he was summoned by the head of the district's Commission for Religious Affairs and told that he was not wanted in his parish.
But he has not been relieved
of his parochial duties by his
ecclesiastical superiors. It is worth mentioning that, at his trial in September 1973, he insisted that he had no involvement in politics, but considered himself bound as a priest to resist atheism, and was told by the presiding judge that communism and atheism are the same thing.) Well might Tito have mur-mured "Will no man rid me

of harassment against Father Bankovic. Just after his release from prison he went with his wife to see off two of their grandchildren, who were leaving to undertake a course of study in Britain (Requests for the children to be allowed to visit him in prison had been refused, so he had not seen them for four years.) As the grandparents left the bus on arrival in Belgrade, they were approached by an official of the political police, who ordered Father Bankovic to return immediately to Beska; when the priest asked the man for his identi asked the man for his identification, he refused to show it, but showed a revolver instead. They went back to Beska. Later, there was another such incident, again at the Belgrade bus terminal.

In the campaign organized against him, the authorities have not hesitated to use threats; the statement demanding that he should not be allowed to return to his post ended "If our request is not satisfied, we cannot be responsatisfied, we cannot be respon-sible for any repercussions which might take place". And a particularly odious form of harassment has been added. Father Bankovic has over 45 years' social security credits, which are designed to provide a pension. These have been arbi-trarily cancelled by the authorities, thus depriving him of his pension, and since he is still being denied, by force majoure, the opportunity to return to his parish work, he and his wife have no means of livelihood other than donations from parishuners (in the area where there is supposed to be united opposition to his return: and the like. It is a nasty little story, and

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ought to (but will not) give some pause to the constant adulation of Yugoslavia in this country by those who should know better, and in some cases actually do. It is too much. of course. To expect Church leaders here to come to the support of a Christian priest condemned for opposition to atheism; many of them are too busy commending armed guerrilla movements in the name of the Prince of Peace, whom in any case they seem to think much inferior, as an avetar, to Mr Robert. Mugabe, and I wouldn't be at all surprised to learn that one or two were planning to attend the corona-tion of the Emperor Boksass, or even to officiate at it. (Besides. some of them are by no mean: different from Christianity, if not, indeed, actually superior to it.) Nor can we hope for pro-tests from any of the standard fun-revolutionaries, who are mostly otherwise engaged, on their work of turning Britain into a reasonable facsimile o Yugoslavia, only not so liberal and indulgent, of course. Some Labour MPs, to be sure, might be willing to criticize Yugo-slavia for her continuing suspicion of the democratic Soviet fatherland, but that is not quite column will probably be all that is said here on the subject. and Father Bankovic and his wife will continuo to live in want and undergo harassment. while his parishioners continue while his parishioners continue to be deprived of his ministra-tions. I forgot to mention, incidentally, that Yugoshvia was one of the firm nations to sign the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

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### Next from the pen of Mr Heath, a book on politics?

tions, Mr Heath has got into Christmas until his far-flung summer recess he writes an illustrated book in his spare time from Parliament and Bexlev. In November it is pub-lished and becomes an imme-diate best-seller.

In November, 1975, the book was Sailing, which has sold 100,000 copies in hardback, not counting the American, Australian, French, Flemish, Japanese han, French, Flemish, Japanese and German editions. Last to explain to the new generation the things that influenced my generation. My travels ls so far doing just a little better. This November, in case of the policies and ideals I anybody should accuse him of slacking, he is publishing two books with his customerity.

He is also a cross between a magnin and ideals.

activity, and whether it bore

when they were on to a good thing, but principally because nobody else had written a plain man's explanation of the pleasures of good music. Tra-vels is about his globe-troming from undergraduate in Nazi Germany and Spain during the Civil War to official guest of

presidents.

He explains: "By nature I am inquisitive. I like to talk to people, find out what they think at first hand, and form my own judgments. I wanted to explain to the new general.

sarking, he is publishing two books wish his customarily salf-explanatory cities: Travels and Carols. He writes as he speaks, without frills, with occasionally ponderous but papeable sincerity.

He wrote about seiling because landlubbers kept on asking what he saw in the activity. Bud whether it bore process of selection. He says: activity, and whether it bore process of selection. He says: say relation to the other "I enjoy writing, but finings he was trying to do. He hard work. One of my probwrote about music partly lems is that for each book I because his publishers knew have done I have had progres-



sively more material available. I have been saling for only about ten years; but music and travel have been my life for 50 years."

Does he think, at his age, it the front beach from 1951 to 1975; and when you are on the front beach you can aways think of something more to be doing instead of writing. After such a long spell writing is an opportunity think about the future. And there were things I wanted to say."

After handing in this year's
manuscripts he has fitted in an

He is just back from a very interesting week in Israel. In October he went to China and right up to Northern Manchuria, where he had never been before; then to Bucharest for talks with President from Prime Minister to bestselling author? I did not ceausescu, and on up to Molhave the time before. I was on
the front bench from 1951 to
frescoss on the monasteries; then to Belgrade to talks with his old friend. President Tho. Since he has returned home he has made 25 important speeches, two radio and two television broadcasts, held press conferences, and had frequent hacks besiege his gates for ritual interviews with a best-selling author.

involvement in either drugs or the growing number of make-

shift massage parlours which have largely replaced conven-

One other business activity eculiar to Northern Ireland and widely suspected—despite

He started work on the carol. he started work on the carol, book 30 years ago. It was gestred while he conducted the annual carol service at Broadstairs. It was finally brought to birth by the concert to leanch lest year's music book and the long-playing record that grew out of thes. From the writing that he has

recently taken up with such remarkable success, he emerges as an insatiably curious, decent, industrious, civilized, inhibited Englishman. The understatement, the ami-able amasour jokes, and the discursive reminiscences con-vey a certain innocence and a great enjoyment of music, architecture, food, travel,

people, and life. But do not knock the formula. To gold in them that skills. So what comes next November? A cautious look:

November? A castious look: comes into the eyes that are a limit wary in the presence of other strange scribblers; "I have finished my trilogy now Not next year, but in due course I dare say I shall want to write a book about politics."

I should watch out for that

Philip Howard Travels, by Edward Heath, Sidgwick & Jackson, £6.50. Carols, by Edward Heath, Sidg-wick & Jackson, £3.95 and paperback £1.95.



#### Robert Robinson's Christmas Quiz

Do you expect to have a happy Christmas with family or friends? Do you think you might over-eat just a

Do you look forward to 1978? Do you suppose you'll keep warm at home

this winter? Did you realise that very many old people have to say a sad "No" to all those questions? (They'll be totally alone, often in danger from cold, and in some

Would you like to bring Christmas happiness to one of them?

places plain hungry).

Help another Day Centre where they find friendship (25 or £10 does a lot). Or send Christmas meals to the hungry old folk overseas (£3 sends 15 meals, £20 feeds 100). Or commemorate a dear friend this Christmas by inscribing their name on the dedica-tion plaque of a Day Centre you help with £150.

Please use the FREEPOST facility and address your gift to: Hon. Treasurer, The Rt. Hon. Lord Maybray-King, Help the Aged, Room T2, FREE-POST 30, London W1E 7JZ. (No stamp needed). I would like to help an old person in urgent need. I enclose my goodwill gift of £.....

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#### Not summoned by bells, but good snuffers

About him were hoses, fire fighters afar above him the intimate roof of the adjacent house of Jane Ewart-Biggs (in Radnor Walk) which had just caught fire. Thus, last week, the Poet Laureare might have waxed lyrical. In the event, when his morning glass of champagne with his old friend, Sir Osbert Lancaster, was interrupted by plumes of smoke from the house next door, Sir John Betjeman acted swiftly and decisively.

Mrs Ewart-Biggs, the widow of our former Ambassador in Dublin, is our during the day and when, recently, her eldest daughter's top floor bedroom caught fire, the first person to spot it was Sir John. He said to Sir Osbert: "Do you smell smoke?" Sir Osbert said, definitely: "No" Into the garden they therefore sortied.

Black smoke gushed from the upper window and another guest of Sir John, an agile poet in the making, scaled the garden wall, broke into the house and opened the Ewart-Bigg's front door just as the men routed in Packer trial". militia, alerted on the telephone by Sir John, arrived in their Green Goddess.

The firefighters from the Irish Guards at Chelsea, confined the fire to the bedroom John then provided champagne, in the street, for frefighters, anxious neighbours and Mrs Ewart-Biggs when she returned in the luncheon hour.



### I he other trial

Supporters of the rulers of been delighted on Friday to see the Evening Standard's contents bills all over London which announced: "Greig's Even greater must have been

their dismay on finding that the bills referred, not to Mr Justice Slade's keenly awaited judgment in the London trial, in which Kerry Packer, Tony Greig and Co, far from being routed, won hands down, but to the trial match in Melbourne, in which the World XI led by Greig was bowled out for 148 by an Australian XI.

#### Wanted: a Westminster anatomy

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#### An insurance company, I can reveal, is puring a price on the Houses of Parliament. It has

nothing to do with a wealthy oil sheikh seeking a town residence, nor is it a precamionary measure against some latter-day Guy Fawkes and the threat posed by the firemen's strike. The inquiry is being made because of a tape-recorder. It belongs—or it did belong— to that tall Tory from Acton, Sir George Young, But it has been stolen from his office in

been stolen from his office in the Palace of Westminster. Assuringly, Sir George says: "Fortunately, there was not a tape on it, so there will be no

### The reuniter

In the past 37 years, Muriel Monkhouse, has reunited tens of thousands of families separated by war. Today, she receives an OBE in recognition of her At the request of relatives,

Miss Monkhouse, head of the British Red Cross Society's International Tracing Service, is still finding about ten Second World War refugees a month in Britain who have not seen their relatives in Eastern Europe since they were torn from them in the war. Many of them last saw their relatives in concentration or labour camps.
Miss Monkhouse works in the

utmost secrecy among files and cards containing details on nearly 100,000 people she has been asked to trace over the

Nixon-type revelations." But his insurance company wants to know more about it.

Filling in his claim form, Str George was asked to answer the following questions: total value of contents of premises at time of theft; are the premises, or any part, let or sub-let; how many nights have the premises been unoccupied, during the past year; was anyme to the past year; was anyone in the premises at the time of the theft, if so, please gives names and addresses?

Surely this must be a job for a joint meeting of the Government actuary, the Department of Environment and the Whips'

#### Stony silence

The arms ban on South Africa. is apparently having side-effects the moralists in New York could never have dream: of. It would seem that imported catapults from the United States (popular in the Republic) come within the general arms

embargo. A bird lover in Knysna tells me that he is no longer able to protect his ornithological friends from marauding cats because the elastic on his old catapult is broken (the story of our lives) and his suppliers— Wham-O Manufacturing of California-are unable to send him a replacement.

My South African correspon-dent adds that he has pointed out to the authorities that he is hardly likely to take on terror-ists armed with machine guns with a catapult and a stone.

#### A variation on Blaze Away

Playing con fuoco is one thing. I said to myself, but playing al fuoco is surely going a bit far. I had been told that the Band of Commando Forces, Royal Marines, had been ordered, with instruments, up to Strathclyde to reinforce the troops already deployed in fire-fighting during the firemen's strike.
The truth emerged as some-

thing somewhat less dramatic. The musical Marines are going be leaving their instruments back at base. It will be the first time since

flood-fighting work in the Med-way towns 25 years ago that the Marines will have been used for purposes other than musi-Elements from two other

Marine bands, the Band of the Commando Training Centre and the staff band at the school of music, with also be deployed for firefighting dury. But I am assured that taking their instruments along with them will not be mandatory. It will be more a case, one might say, of trumpet voluntary.

#### Two musical interludes A single guitar ensemble does

not make a Prom, any more than a single swallow makes a summer, so I must be careful not to over-react. But, listening to the youthful Holme Valley ensemble from West Yorkshire rehearsing Byrd's Pavane at the Albert Hall yesterday, I felt the two-day Schools Prom (last night and tonight) would be a huge success. We shall see. A few minutes carlier, I was

present at another happy occasion at the Albert Hall, also involving roung music-makers.

Jacqueline du Pre, in her wheelchair, received on behalf of the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children a cheque for 1924. The message of the sargent for the £1.924, the proceeds of last May's Music and Youth concert organized by London's Rotar

I was able to exchange a few words with the stricken cellist and she left me feeling uplifted and filled with confidence about a world which, whatever else it may deprive us of, still offers the glorious gift of thusic and the means to enjoy it.

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John Morgan Travel, specialists in villa holidays, yesterday thought up a clever way of reviving memories for their patrons. They took over the London Planetarium and filled the domed sky with the stars that the villa folk would have seen over Greece during their hols. There was, of course, lots of retsina, taramasalata and olives too. And just to remind the guests-250 of them-what had probably escaped their attention wifile they were sunning themselves on the beaches, John Ebdon, director of the Planetarium, gave them a chat about the connexion between Greek mythology and poetry. Need I tell you that the accent was on romantic verse.

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## WINES & SPIRITS

a Special Report

### High streets ahead on choice and quality

by Pamela Vandyke Price

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Britain are the sort of buyers trade and members of the who bring home wines that International Wine and Food really are worth trying, but, Society can still attend study as anyone dependent on the sessions.

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Those trained in wine and Spirit Education Trust continue their courses for the spendent, The Times.

who bring home wines that Imernational Wine and Food really you have not already or dered your wines for Christmas, it would be purdent to go and get them. Three weeks is a reasonable into go and get them. Three weeks is a reasonable into a llow for a delivery by carriers—and this is their entres—and this is their entres—of the world, they are the continental buyer.

For the past three or four years—Britons have been drinking about nine bottles of wine annually. As the duty on table wine has gone up 333 per cent since 1974, this shows bulldog renacity lideed, more adults are drinking wine and as today it is the middle income groups wito account for 60.7 per cent of wine bought, it can as longer be considered a lixury for privileged persons. It looks as if the mine bottles figure may be exceeded, once the total for the last quarter of the years is available—the time when most wine is bought. But there are interesting alterations in the wines that people buy. True, the British do chiag to known names. Even without any idea of the difference that can be made by the pasma of a grower, shipper or merchant, people still say. "I like Nuiss St. Georges / Liebtraumikch / heartblafe / he



pressure area that remained almost stationary over most of Western Europe for the raw materials that go almost three weeks gave the vignerons just the right conditions that they needed to make a wine that possessed enough natural acidity to blend with the rich and rather over-sugared champagne of the previous year.

The EEC winemaking authorities in Brussels had earlier said that the grapes france a kilo?

by Colin Price Beech

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### France: buy now or regret later

by David Peppercorn

The clear message which comes out of France this Christmas is: do not put off buying till tomorrow whatever you can buy today. The official figures are not yet to hand, but it is already clear that 1977 will be an exceptionally small vittage (53 million) of uncertain quality. Prices have been rising in eager anticipation of this situation since the spring.

Bordeaux was especially hard hit by the frosts which came at the end of March. Results are likely to be very mixed, with many of the best Médoc growths producing reasonable yields, but parts of St Emilion and most of Pomerol being very badly hit indeed. At Petrus, I am told, they did not even bother to pick what grapes there were; there would not have been enough to have made a 77 vintage of Petrus even bother to pick what grapes there were; there would not have been enough to have made a 77 vintage of Petrus of Sweet white wines were again unlucky; after a disaster in 1976 most of Bersac was destroyed by the great frosts.

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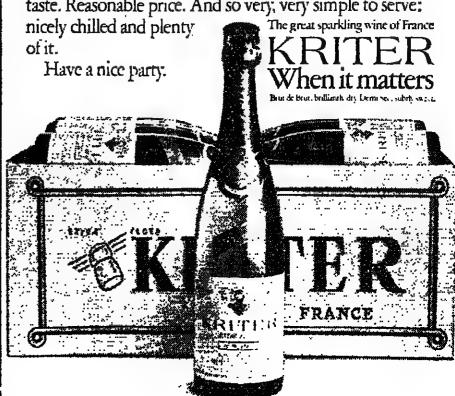
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here you go, asking your glittering friends round for a drink and what do you serve them?

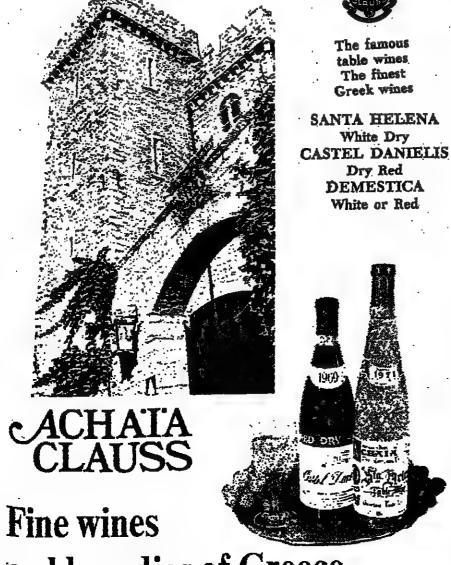
Same old G&T? A spot of Scotch? Some wine you paid a bit over the top for, just to be sure?

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### Good value from Germany

wine of great sweemess by unsettled by the weather

by Tom Olsen

selected grapes which tur-Thoman, several with re-ned to "noble rot" under lated companies abroad, the autumn mists, making With prospects for 1977

wine of great sweetness by its sugar content.

These are wonderful to drink on their own or with six, German wines have been excellent. The great years were 1971, 1975 and 1976, each with its own splendid qualities but each invoking comparison with such noble predecessors as 1921. 1949, 1953, 1959 and 1964.

To my mind 1971 was particularly superb and 1975

wine of great sweetness by unsettled by the weather and likely to produce a large quantity of Qualitätswein, the niddle grade, and minor quantities of tafelwein, the lowest grade, medium-priced wines should again be available and not a label buyer's virtuage wines should again be available and restore the balance disturbed by the great 1976. However 1976 is not always an expensive vintage. At the German Food Centre in Knightsbridge, I enjoyed a modest, often have an Petersberg spätlese (Johann modest, often have an Petersberg spätlese (Johann modest) 1953, 1959 and 1964.

To my mind 1971 was particularly superb and 1975 modest, often have an only slightly less so. The best examples of each are still worth laying down if you can find them, for the greatest white wines will keep longer than many readize if properly bottled and cared for.

Because it was superb and rich, 1976 was graded largely as Qualitatswein mit Prädicket, the top German wine grade. It produced spätlesse, anslesse and beerenauslese wines from late-picked and selected grapes which tur. Thoman, several with red layour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flavour, while the flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flick of Bornheim) for £2.20 and artractive flavour, while the flavour, while t

### Acquiring a new regard for Spanish quality

methods of Bordeaux and aged for an obligatory period of two to three years in the family firm descent wine slightly in period of two to three years in the traditional 225-litre oak casks, which gives them their characteristic vanillative flavour. Thanks to the usually reliable summers, vintage years are of less now one of the best and the wine has generally from Spain; while the Gran the best in the dark fires in the heart of a jewel." Try the beautiful form spain; while the Gran again available in Britain. been labelled according to the number of years spent in cask—though it is now common to find the year of

The region is best known the region is best known for its red wines, made in two styles, the lighter claretes and more full bodied "burgundy type"— although it is a pirt to compare such individual wines with others from abroad. It also produces tooks and some class dry

Coronas (Great crown re-servas are exceptional reds. The bodega also makes a single grape wine, the light, dry Santa Digna, from the pinot noir grape, recently introduced to Penedès.

This year's vintage in the Rioja has been seriously below average in volume and quality, and, bearing in mind the rate of inflation in the rate of inflation in the rate of inflation in the rate of inflation.

The region is best known for its red wines, made in two styles, the lighter ciaretes and more full bodied "burgundy type"— although it is a pity to compare such individual wines with others from abroad. It also produces roses and some clean, dry whites, best drunk young.

The large Bodegas de Exportación in the Rioja from Roman times; and Exportación in the Rioja from Roman times; and Guide to the Roman include such names Valdepeñas, in the Dou Wines of Spain and Portugal (Pitman).

This year's vintage in the Rioja has been seriously

### Italy's strict law of viticulture confers benefits

by Jan Rad

Espacials, Berbeana. Lópaz quies, the steple de Heedin, Villa Imader, of the small carles of Maridon of the Section of the Sectio

### Green in years but not in character



for port in the Dours valley. These boys are carrying their their empty baskets up the slopes to the vine terrares. womb

Portugal has been shipping produced in the proportion madaros or mature wines, of escape the ravages of phyl-wine to England since the of 70 per cent of red to 30 which those in largest sup-twelfth century, and the mys-per cent of the white, better ply are from the Dao, a high Eucelas and nutty-flavoured, plateau to the south of the fortified Carcavelos, drunk

twelfth century, and the mysterious Charneco wine was mentioned later by Shake speare. During the seventeenth century stremuous efforts were made to populate the whites, actually pele the whites, actually pele the whites, actually pele the whites are dry, clean and pete with claret; and the whites, actually pele the whites are dry, clean and pete with claret; and the stimulus of the Methuen Treaty of 1703 finally led to the evolution of port, which, with madeira, has subsequently accounted for the great bulk of exports to Britain.

In recent times, the first mouthful as a slight produces Mateus Rose and produces very accounted to the whites are from the Dato, a high plateau to the south of the fortified Carcavelos, drunk plateau to the south of the found of the plateau to the south of the found are often and elesserity as an apertific or with class "velvery" (because of their high glycerine content); and at their best, and the whites are dry, clean and alcohol—a fact of some flinty, and should be drunk somewhat astringent, and should be drunk plateau to the south of the found.

As Raymond Postgate once down. "is colour, and are often an elesserity are from the south of the plateau to the south of the south of the colour. The reds are dry, cold as an apertifi or with deep in colour and are often an elesserity are trom the Dato, a high plateau to the south of the colour. The reds are dry, clean and dessert, are first rate but content; and the whites actually pele content; and at the Fortified Carcavelos, drunk plateau to the south of the plateau to the south of the colour. The reds are dry, clean and dessert, are first rate but content; and the strain in the plateau to the south of the colour. The reds are dry, clean and dessert, are first rate but content; and the strain in the strain in the strain as a subscient strain as a subscient strain as a

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Vasco, made by an offshoot of SOGRAPE, which also of SOGRAPE, which also of SOGRAPE, which also of SOGRAPE, which also of some produces Mateus Rose and shipped by Rawlings; Terras Altas from J. M. de Fonseca, soid at Harrods; and the Conde de Santar, an excellent estate-bottled Bio. All are available red and white and in various vintages.

Among the best of the vinhos are those from do Vinhos are those from do Vinhos are those from the rase of port by brandying the wines and so arresting for mentation at an early stage. It is now being tackled along the ready in the results obtainable in Britain is gent and bonedry, were already obtainable in Britain is gent and bonedry, were a great deal more to offer, in wines drunk in Portugal its self. Other brands obtainable in the shape of good red and with a slight of SOGRAPE, which also of demarcated, which are beroduces Mateus Rose and shipped by Rawlings; Terras Altas from problem in the Upper Douro Problem in the Proposed Aveleda, and shipped by Rawlings; Terras Altas from J. M. de Fonseca, soid at Harrods; and the Conde de Santar, an excellent estate bottle problem in the Upper Douro Problem in th

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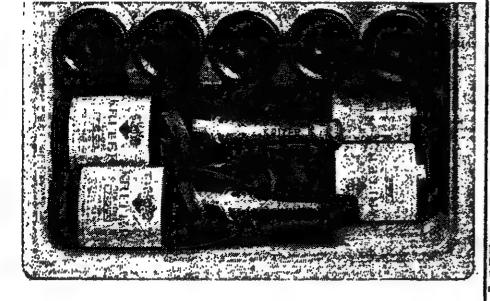
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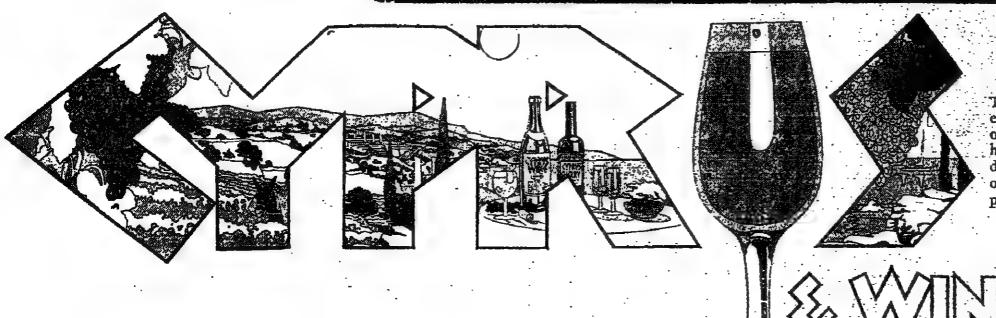
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in apparent preference help white and comes from vine. Those early vineyards in wines, particularly the ries duces an attractive medium dessert wine. All of these fusivities is a country twice in origin than Vienna. For an important role in the profile size of Switzerland and

wine would be complete spaced out in such a way without a mention of that that tractors and agricultural country's most controversial machinery can pass between wine producer. Lenz Moser is known throughout the world of viticulture as the quired many times that numpioneer, or some might say ber. Moreover, fewer vines inventor, of the High Culture are needed per acre since system of grape cultivation yields are increased through improved fertility and in which mixed varieties of vines can be planted three yerds apart and encouraged and this beneficial climate to grow by means of natural trainable in Britain as are the tends to render individual or "green" manuring. wines of Alois Morandeli,

out on trellis wires that are tion for the production and Kemser Sandgrube, Muellertrockenbeerenauslese from to work 10 acres where be-fore it might well have re-Steiner Hund Rheinriesling from Krems. Other Austrian wines nov

tain include those of Kloster Neuberg and the modestly priced Gumpoldskirchner Neuberger from Augustus greater resilience to bad

### Britain keeps liking for sherry and port

by Edward Hale

during 1976 just under 6,500,000 cases of Spanish sherry were sold in the United Kingdom. These were complemented by 2,500,000 mases of Cyprus Sherry with South African sherry adding more than 500,000 cases. The sherry figure does not include reexports, about a million cases, but keeps Britain in the lead as Spain's best customer. Hard on its system and nowadays in heels comes Hollard, buying Britain these sherries can be about five million cases mainly of more ordinary quality with price the important factor, with the United States in third place. A market showing impressive growth, but starting from a small base, is that of West Germany. The total United Kingdom sales levelled off in 1976 and West Germany. The total resulting from membership linited Kingdom sales has beloed these lighter levelled off in 1976 and therries by encouraging a growth in the present year lowering of their strength is confined to certain brands, and, in turn, the duty paid scontined to certain brands, and, in turn, the duty paid with Harveys of Bristol now on them. Caiming 30 per cent with Most finos sold here are their sherries, expecting this about 17.5 per cent (Gay to rise to more than 40 per Lussac). This strength is only test this autumn, and Gon a few degrees above that of takes Byass replacing Domeco many table wines and, being in. second place. Some little, if any, more expensive, the second place are the second place are the second place.

enjoyed almost as freshly-bottled as in their Andalu-Although there is still

time to go before Spain joins the European Economic Community, the adjustment of internal duties in Britain

some of the lavish new ary as it sounds as in the bodegas, constructed in those restaurants on the beaches heady days, have rather of Sankucar de Berameda at more wine in their cathedral- the mouth of the Guadal-

like aisles than the owners may have expected.

Discernible trends in seafood with anything other than Manzanilla find, and chude a large increase in the popularity of the light finos, which until recently held recalls a dinner at which to only a small but faithful served only sherry, an amount following. When sales were low, the finos tended to spend too long in bonde and lost their essential freshness, but, as their popularity has increased so the wine has increased so the wine has increased so the wine has those of the poolesor's experiments for soup, but the system and mowadays in Sherry is a yeary curious great fun to contrive and helping to raise sherry above the plane of a drink poured in despair to offer a luke played its part and interrupted trade and similar upsets might have been wine at heart and is always better chilled.

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of winemakers everywhere, becomes an ally to the the origin of the name of capatar of a Jeres bodega, their amountillados. giving to the wine in the lightly bunged batts that special numiness of olorosos and battles to protect the name amontillados. Before they of sherry and, although it is were amontillados the wines interesting to speculate on the paragraphic than the special control of the sp amountilates. Before they were amontillados the wines interesting in speculate or were protected by a film of changes which may come if yeast, the flor which kept the younger wine from the sir member of the EEC, Cyprus and preserved in it a fresh sherry continues to hold a ness and crispness normally place on the shelves of British winesellers.

Although Cyprus can claim which athernies couch havenage for

or duty changes has given to sherry siyls of while it some-fines of the strength pre- thing of a newcomer to these viously exclusive to Spain shores, a product of a revival itself. Professor Saintsbury in Cypriot wine fortunes would have been pleased, started by the remarkable but if we are unmarked to Fred Rossi, a member of the males a meet to go with London wine trade, who ad-

ighter figos may, outside the professor's experiments, vines served at Saintsbury's come, have been missed.

Sherry is a very curious bette noire to the shippers of wine. Oxidization, the bane Jerez de la Frontera, despite having given the Jerezanos

rakes Byass replacing Domeco in second place. Some many table wines and, being in second place. Some many table wines and, being little, if any, more expensive, allows a bottle opened as an allows a bottle opened as an allows a bottle opened as an aperiuf to be taken to the of the early 1970s but Jerez de la Frontera still wears as an of prosperity, even if some of the lavish new bodegas, constructed in the regal company of a few yeers ago, fornification of wines exported to further four kings with the generous but the influence of duty changes has given us sherry style of wine is somewhat the some of the strength presented in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the regal company of a further four kings with the generous but the influence of duty changes has given us sherry style of wine is somewhat are of the lavish new bodegas, constructed in the regal company of a further four kings with the generous but the influence of duty changes has given us sherry style of wine is somewhat are of the lavish new bodegas, constructed in the regal company of a further four kings with the generous but the influence of duty changes has given us sherry style of wine is somewhat are in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the regal company of a further four kings with the generous but the influence of duty changes has given us sherry style of wine is somewhat are the company of a further four kings with the generous but the influence of duty changes has given us sherry style of wine is somewhat are the company to the company in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king of Cyprus feasted in the world, and a king

played its part and inter-rupted trade and similar upsets might have been expected in Portugal. In spite of the good Scottish names in a roll-call of ship-

ment that the first duty of port is to be red and, although an interesting way little impact in Britain where duty levels are the same as

The previous vintage to be declared was 1970 and inevitably opening prices have increased starmingly since then but even at well over £40 a case the wine is finding buyers and it is nice to think of benevolent godperents laying down the new port for their godsons and, perhaps, in this enlightened age, there may be a god-daughter or two going out into the world with a pipe of port in her dowry.

inself. Professor Saintsbury in Cypriot wine fortunes would have been pleased, started by the remarkable but if we are unimpried to go with London wine trade, who ad them, we should not forget vised the newly independent and future vintages: a sad the tapas, tit-bits of infinite government on viticultural stans regard as part and parcel to the true enjoyment of the true enjoyment of the true enjoyment of the street is to stold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is told it is toold its country. The cleaners is toold its each of trept is stold it is each clean triple and true is toold its each of the street is toold its country. The cleaners is toold its so price is toold its in the visitor its told it is each clean it is toold it is country. The cleaner

### Right for the ice age

by Pamela Vandyke Price

It is likely that the major part played in contemporary drinking by the colourless spirits could not have been achieved without modern refrigeration and the availabilisty of ice, plus today's demand for clean, quick-acting drinks amid the prestaining on an international

Many of these spirits are surprisingly old: vodka, for example, is said to have been means "a snatch or gasp".
made in Russia since the There are a number of herbs twelfth century, but the Poles claim that Polish vodka was sherry. Virtuage port has a sively, since the eighth censpecial place in our wine lists and the shippers have declared 1975 a vintage year kies as regards a brand by for shipment in the British jubilee year of 1977. kies as regards a brand by the sales of the Smirnoff brand—and gin, whether the London or Plymouth type, are all spirits that tend to be consumed in mixtures rather than by themselves. Each brand is different, as is each

aniseed coagulate and form wine. Schnapps must be finger, suck a slice of lime a type of scale. Nor should iced—tepid it is almost the or lemon and jerk the wrist ouzo be drunk without some nastiest drink that has ever so that the salt is thrown to ouzo de grunk without something to eat—nuts, olives, come my way. Served as the mouth—and then the slivers of cheese, or crisps.

A bottle that should be, it is a drink small portion of tequila is definitely be kept in the such an extent that it is not lent accompaniment to freezer, however, is schupps surprising to learn that, in highly spiced snacks and the spelling varies the seventeenth century. It the spelling varies the seventeenth century, it canapes, between the Scandinavian became necessary to decree the spelling varies the seventeenth century, it canapes.

between the Scandinavian countries, but Aalberg that, in Denmark, regional as "Genever", "Jenever" assemblies had to meet at certainly the best known in 7 am because, after that to it, "Hollands"—is certainly the bottle should, it was assumed that thinky one of the historic deally, be presented jecketed in ice and the spirit poured into small

spirit poured into small glasses and the contents downed at a gulp—the very word schnapps in Dunish Tequila might justly be seventeenth contury termed the schnapps of the made a distillate (in south. It is made only in still) from ryc, Mexico from a plant, the then redistilled y used in the different recipes for the spirit, which is made used in the different recipes for the spirit, which is made agave, that is not, as many and other additives. It was in Holland and Germany too, think, a cactus. The bluish the juniper—igenieved in the flavours therefore spines of its leaves are vary. Allborg Aqvavit is stripped from the pinecone-flavour and the Dutch name. British soldiers in the Low their Jubilaeum's plant, which is cooked and Aqvavit is flavourad with dill and herbs.

All kinds of traditions are ally distribed. Tequila to be drunk by Itself, not many and the pressed to the pressed and eventually distribed. Tequila to be drunk by Itself, not many and the pressed and eventually distributed. All kinds of traditions are matured for three to five as part of a mixture. associated with drinking schnepps, which should also

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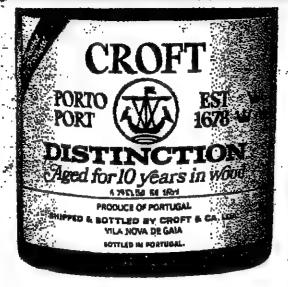
attracting attention in Bri-

were forbidden to conduct dam as early as 1575 and services with glasses in their the professor of medicine

years in wood becomes each of the distilleries, golden, otherwise it is including Bols, Fockink, De without colour.

The big name in tequila is several types in their ranges, Sauza, a family business some flavoured—such as which dominates the trade with lemon peel—others. than by themselves. Each brand is different, as is each brand of white rum, the classiess spirit, especially in the form of a deiquirt, and a sping sp

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Grapes have been grown and wine made in the Alto Douro for thousands of years. When Caesar's soldiers marched and clattered on the paved roman roads of the area, wine was already being made and surely not so very few legionaries overcame the longing for their faraway homes with some generous cups of the remote ancestor of what is now Port. However it was in the last half of the XVII century that Port really began to be known; this it owed to British initiative and thirst and then it owirely become the Englishman's wine. However, this it owed to British initiative and thirst and then it quickly became the Englishman's wine. However the years passed by and as its fame progressed its markets multiplied and diversified. Nowadays Port is shipped to more than one hundred countries, covering many drinking habits, customs and religions. France, motherland of some of the very best wines of the world, is its biggest importer; she overtook Britain in 1963. Presently the ten biggest consumer countries are, in descending order, as follows: France, United Kingdom, Portugal, Belgium-Luxembourg, Holland, West Germany, Denmark, Italy, Russia, Sweden. The ten biggest Port drinkers "per capita" are as follows: Portugal, Denmark, Belgium-Luxembourg, France, Holland, United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Ireland, Switzerland.

Since its early days, and as the centuries passed, different fashion trends went by but Port stayed; not only because of its high intrinsic value, but also because of its easy adaption to different tastes and habits. There are various sorts and styles of and haous. There are various sorts and styles of Port: it may be a dessert wine, an aperitive wine or just a pick-me-up or a wine to be appreciated in a moment of leisure. Not all countries have the same drinking habits. For instance, on the turn of the century, sweet and very sweet white Port was the wine for two great countries; however, at the same time, other countries asked for deep purple Reds Rubies Tawnies and Vinteges Some parious Reds, Rubies, Tawnies and Vintages. Some nations, France for instance, mainly think of Rubies, Tawnies and Whites as aperitives. But other Port lovers, and more and more do it, drink white dry Port as the only aperitive.

The fact is that there are many ways of drinking and many different Ports to be drunk. There are ing and many different Ports to be drunk. There are however some general rules on Port drinking; they may collide with some personal idiosyncrasy or with some special wine drinking habit. This in no way is a difficulty as a Port consumer has the sacred right to drink as he pleases end chooses. Port is born and matured to give him his pleasure; nevertheless one should never forget that it also craves for a little loving respect so that it may show itself to the best advantage. Let us now consider the various types of Port and how and when they are usually drunk. What follows is not for the learned wine lover but only for the everyday common person who likes Port but usually has an imperiect knowledge of the complex subject that Port really is.

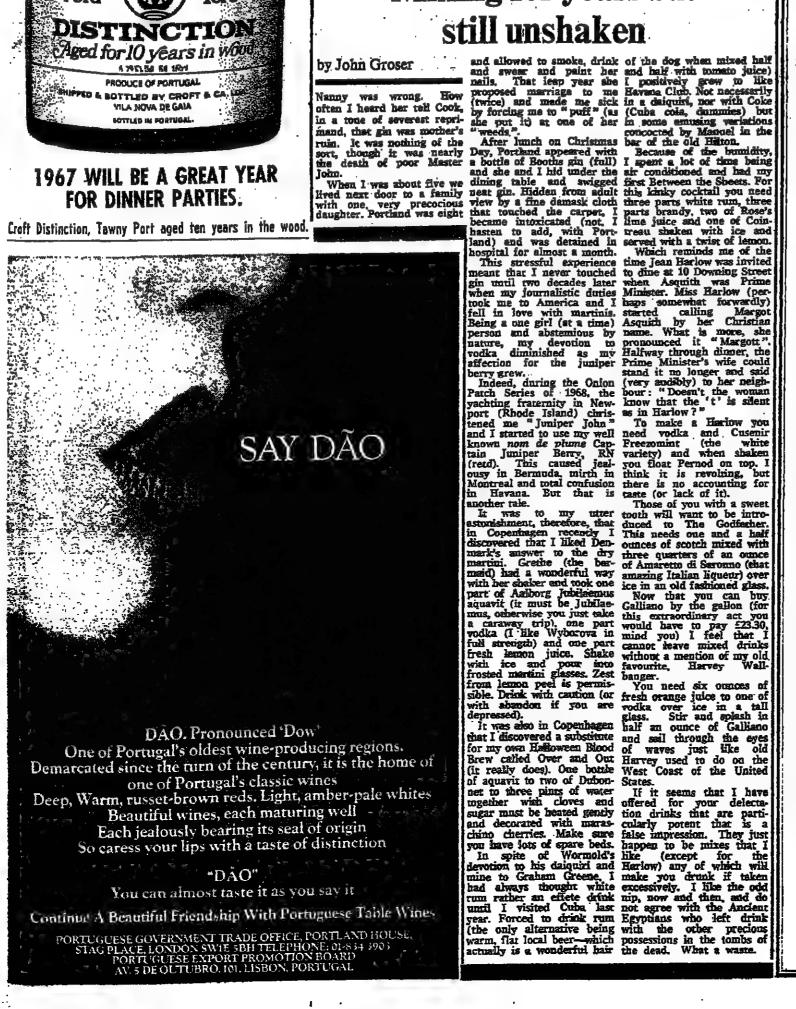
Port can be produced from white grapes and then it will consequently be white Port. White Port can be sweet or dry and is aged in wooden casks. The trend nowadays is for the dry or extra dry ones which are extraordinary aperitives. They do not compete or try to surpass any other aperitive wine, they are, as Port usually is, excellent and different. They can be better appreciated if served cool.

The Reds and Rubies are usually young rich Ports; they are as a rule dessert wines but can be appreciated at any time. The Tawnies, older, smoother, medium dry or sweet, can attain extraordinary quality. An old Tawny is very versatile: it is a perfect dessert wine but is also very good as an aperitive or at any time of the day or evening. Reds, Rubies and Tawnies are aged in the wood and are commonly a blend of different Ports: this is, one could say, the classical way of producing Port. Wood Ports do not usually exhibit a date on the label. Nowadays however some of these Ports can show on the label one of the following descriptions: "10 Years old", "20 Years old", "30 Years old", "more than 40 Years old"; they must be bottled in Portugal with the "Selo de garantia (guarantee seal) issued by the "Instituto do Vinho do Porto" (Port Wine Institute) in Oporto.

Lastly we have Vintage Port or simply Vintage. This is the full bodied Port of only one very good year, bottled in between its second and third year. Always dated and of exceptional quality. One can not generalize about Vintage Port; each one is different not only as refers to the year but also to the shipper. Since 1970 it must be bottled in Portugal with the "Selo de garantia" issued by the "Institute do Vinho do Porto" in Oporto. It is the perfect after dinner wine and a most nonle line. perfect efter dinner wine and, as most people know, is an expensive and difficult wine: it should be uncorked and decanted if necessary some time before serving, then drunk quickly, that is, not kept for long. However the public demand for Vintage is always growing. Some Vintage Ports are collectors items only to be found in privileged callers or in averior rooms. cellars or in auction rooms.

Finally, to finish this article, let us consider a question that is frequently asked by young Port lovers: should one buy Port to lay down and drink years afterwards. The answer, not so easy, is yes and no. If one thinks of Reds, Rubies, Tawnies, Whites, that is of Ports aged in wood then its no, with some few exceptions, as the Shipper usually bottles his wine when he thinks it should be drunk. But if one is thinking of Vintages or Crusted Ports, then it frequently could be yes, but then you must know your wines, or better still, ask the advice of a good Port wine merchant.

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whisky at all. Malt devotees have always sworn that straight whisky "Chateac-bottled", as it were, from one distillery, is the finest spirit dripk in the

drunk outside Scotland pounded almost 100 blends, sniffed. What they are look-before 1870. In A Roving mixing them personally in ing for is not so much a commission. Winston Chur-small casks or "vats". Then the called his whisky-tasting the possibility that the could never have drunk cronies together and they whisky may have spent its whisky except when shooting on a moor or in some fically—or so the tale goes—a rotting stave, which would give the spirit a corked taste, Deprived of brandy the.

The unanimous choice fell like a wine with a badly fitting or rotted cork.

There are also tests made Scotch.

The Hishland paterill Leslie Scott, Sanderson to analyse the whisky for

Scotch.

The Highland pot-still Leslie Scott, Sanderson twinskies with their rich and blending director, who is resplended flavours were difficult to obtain and often proved too rich for the tastes of the English market. On the other hand the grain whisky dissilled in the Sanderson's recipe.

Lowlands by the patent still method, from grains other than barley, produced a less tion of the blender and the clegant drink than palates number and styles of whisky a chemist, but his job is to analyse the whisky for strength and cloudiness; deciding whether it is good or bad is strictly Mr Scott's department.

Akhough tasting is no longer done by sipping or rubbing whisky on your hands and sniffing the result. The remarkable stability and quality of the blends are a tribute to the combination accustomed to the finest cog-easily available in the dis-

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accustomed to the finest cogeasily available in the disnacs would accept. The trict. Today Mr Scott has carions of them which go
answer was a blend of the at his disposal all the reinto every bottle of whisky.

### Cognac tasters keep it in the family

or two of any of the famous which are now famous of what age, it is necessary throughout the world and to lay down to meet the expanded of the palate, cognac must be sweater and grey flannels, well ask why there was ever any necessity to blend whisky at all. Malt devotees when the palate, which is the same of the policy of the famous of what age, it is necessary to lay down to meet the expansion of what age, it is necessary to lay down to meet the expansion of what age, it is necessary the palate, cognac must be sweater and grey flannels, out at very bigh speed, than his 51 years, and not never regained.

Like all blended whiskies, other the fumes would like the layman's idea of a sucret formula soon "paralyse" the palate, taster. This might be an order to be a

nephew, M Yan Fillioux cobwebbed home of their (representing the seventh most venerable and valuable generation in the firm) and stock, some of which is up

M Jacques Lainé, who was to 150 years old. assistant taster to his father. "These are not museum

cold. His son says he "can of my colleagues. There is the oldest Hennessy chain just manage, but it is not such a sense of insecurity." (store above ground level) to easy". He finds antibiotics

Working with him are his Le Paradis, the silent, much
Working with him are his cobwebbed home of their

They usually begin at 10 am, pieces. We use a small protaking two hours to taste 40 portion of them in our samples. "We stop when luxury blends like XO and "château-bottled", as it were, from one distillery, is the finest spirit drink in the world. It is not a verdict with which I would quartel but it is the blends which have brought about the world and which have brought about the wind probably intoxicate the taste that distinguishes it from other them other that the taste that distinguishes it from other that the taste that distinguishes it from other that the sate that distinguishes it from other that the state that distinguishes it from other them of the week, I can maybe a round, rubicund sort, like those monks in a laboratory, or maybe a round, rubicund sort, like those monks in a laboratory, or maybe a round, rubicund sort, like those monks in a laboratory, or maybe a form the week, I can will prov



## Eye, nose and palate detect

Armagnac is the oldest brandy-producing area in France. Tucked away to the north-east of the Pyreness and, unlike Cognac, cut off

in sects which are kept under that in Cognac and is control by the spiders which free are 18,000 growers of vines, mostly on mixed offer armagnac in bottles of samples. After the harvest the owners of travelling stills, which resemble horsedray fire engines (alambics), would mur the area and distil the wine at the school stronger. Today it is more economical to collect the wine in travelling stills are in use of travelling and marked to a central distilery, sixhough there is no clear-cut pattern in the industry and a dozen of the old flow must be checked and travelling stills are in use

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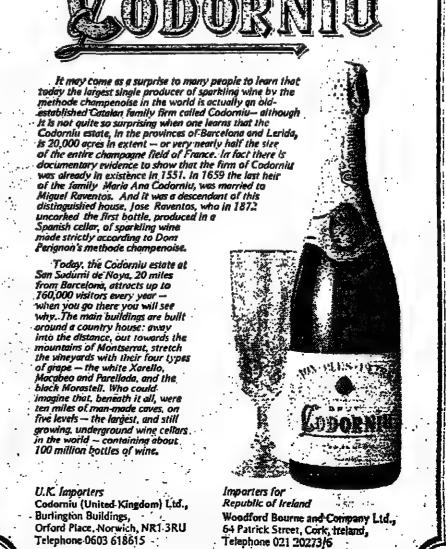
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Bordeaux who used to sell Chestnut bands that tradiarmagnac simply as brandy or eau de vie d'Aquitaine.

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fixed in 1909, apply only to clock and in the evenings the spirit and not to the local each of the wives in turn white wine from which it is the wood fire of the still Three ster (not and the family would sit

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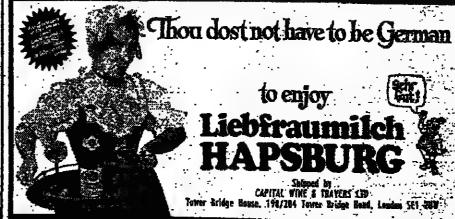
Armagnac trickling from a still.

## 'le vrai' armagnac

the British market) and The stills themselves are VSOP (at least four years a riot of copper, an essential old) are standard categories. material, with domed cham dral. An experiment to distri-in glass containers proved a failure because the spirit did

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light amber colour, a distinctive aroma, and a medium

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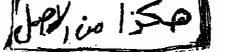
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### SOMETIMES ONE HAS TO WIN

the advantage in the firemen's strike appears to be moving clearly towards the Government, In the early days, it seemed very possible that the public fear induced by a type of industrial action never before experienced on a national scale might create an irresistible pressure for capitulation. But as the days. have passed, not without fires or casualties, the situation has become less unfamiliar. However dreadful it may be to lose one's home, or worse, by fire, the danger for each family remains statistically remote. In this sense, a union that provides some convenient everyday service may bring more pressure to bear than one that saves lives. The TUC has held aloof, other mions have been more forthcoming with verbal than financial support, and the most urgent question seems increasingly to be

without strike pay.
It is true that where public safety is concerned alarm can grow quickly and unpredictably: one serious fire in a hospital or old people's home could still the Government. The firemen's readiness to offer help if lives are in danger (for which they deserve all credit) has itself tended to prevent panic. The longer the strike goes on, the better reason the Government has to be ready to ride out any

how long the firemen can last

After more than two weeks, it obligatory to hold every group to 10 per cent; initially, there might have been a case for allowing the firemen a little over the odds. But their determination to hold out for 30 per cent or near it made compromise impossible. Once they had gone on strike fine Government (itself their employer, in the last resort) had no choice but to resist. Surrender would have been to invite every employer in the private sector to do the same, whatever the merits of the demands they were faced with.

Nor is the firemen's claim

more than marginally excep-tional. In view of the failure of so many attempts to set up an acceptable link between their pay and that of other kinds of worker, there is no surer way of judging their rates than to ask whether recruits are still coming forward in adequate numbers. In spite of exceptions in particular areas, no evidence has been produced to suggest that national recruitment problems exist even on a scale com-parable with the sometimes exaggerated ones of the police. Firemen's work is dangerous, though in terms of fatal accidents no more so than work on a farm. Their earnings are not low-certainly not by comparison with farm labourers or some of the soldiers in the Green Goddesses—and their job involves very obvious nonmonetary personal rewards. Their hours are to be reduced temporary gusts of public Their hours are to be reduced opinion. The chosen formula for wage restraint does not make of pay.

One widely canvassed way out of the deadlock would be to make it illegal for firemen to strike, and to give them a large award by way of compensation. An invitation to give up the strike weapon would scarcely commend itself to the union at the very moment when a strike had brought a big rise within their reach. The fortunes of the police in recent years might not seem an encouraging long-term precedent. Since a prohibition on striking by any large and determined body of workers would in practice be unenforceable in our society, the proposal would offer no real guarantee against future action. As for the immediate consequences, it would be the percentage gain, not the notional sacrifice, that would impress itself on other

For better or worse, the case of the firemen has gained a crucial significance in this year's pay round. There is still scope for yielding a couple of percentage points as a face-saver. There is need for new and more purposeful talks about relating rates to that of some comparable group or groups. But when the firemen's leaders meet Mr Callaghan today they must understand that in the national context the overriding issue now at stake is not the details of their claim, but the authority of the Government, which, with or without an incomes policy, is the employer in the public sector.

claimants.

#### TWO OXEN CONDEMNED TO ONE YOKE

One can be a good Catholic, like most Poles, and at the same time be an active participant in the construction of a socialist state, as most Poles are," said Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish party leader, in 1974. This week, during his visit to Italy, he will be the first communist leader of Poland to be received by the Pope. It will be an event of historic importance, showing how far Church and State have . moved since the bitter confrontations of the 1950s. The relationship is still not nearly as easy as Mr Gierek's optimistic remarks suggest. There is still a fundamental ideological confrontation and a struggle for the basic loyalty of the nation. There is also a constant tug-of-war over specific issues. But there is also mutual respect, an awareness of common concern for the national interest, and an increasing ele-ment of healthy realism on both

The role of the Church has been described as that of a loyal opposition because it must reject atheistic communism and defend the communism and defend the rights of believers, and because it regards itself as having more real historical legitimacy than the present regime as defender on the present regime as defender on the common good and to preserve social order.

not only of the faith but of the Polish nation. It therefore felt called upon to protest-with some success, as it turned outagainst a new draft constitution which seemed to limit Polish sovereignty. But just because it sees itself as representing the Polish nation it is also loval at every point where it believes the regime to be acting in the national interest. "Next to God, our first love is Poland," Car-

dinal Wyszynski has said. The delicate balance between loyalty and opposition was most severely tested after the foodprice riots in June last year. On the one hand the Church saw the need for price rises and the danger of a breakdown in public order. On the other hand it has felt more and more called upon telt more and more caused upon to champion the rights not only of believers but of citizens in general, and particularly the new urban working classes, among whom its authority could in the long run diminish, as in other industrial societies. In September of last wast therefore the ber of last year, therefore, the bishops issued a two-part appeal.

On the other hand they called on the state " to cease its oppression of workers who took part in the or workers who took part in the anti-government protests. . . Those sentenced should be amnestied. The Government, however, did not play fair. It published the first part without the second. The Church then moved steadily into more open defence of the workers and of the defence of the workers and of the committee set up on their behalf by a number of intellectuals.

With the possibility of more trouble this winter if prices are increased, as they will have to be at some point, the Govern-ment will be anxious to avoid making the same type of mistake again. It needs the support of the Church both in the short run to discourage disorder and in the long run to win the type of national legitimacy which only the Church can bestow. The Church's response is likely to be conditional, as always, on its being accorded the respect due m it and its members, but it is also unlikely to relinquish its claim to be judge of when the interests of the regime and the nation are in reasonable harmony. Mr Gierek's visit to the Vatican is a hopeful indication that for the moment they are regarded as being so.

### MR FUKUDA BREAKS THE MACMILLAN RECORD

Cabinet uphezval so great as to replace all but two of the old members would mark a crisis in the affairs of the ruling party at the very least. Only issues of national concern could justify it Such assumptions may be mistaken in assessing Mr mistaken in assessing Mr Fukuda's new team in Japan. This is partly because politics and political leaders occupy a much lower status in the public mind in Japan's democracy than they do in the West-2 fact that it is hard for the western democrat to grasp. Indeed, since the Lockheed scandal and Mr Tanaka's fall that status may have declined even more. For all their favoured "low posture" approach, however, there are times when the Japanese Government must react. Japan's mounting trade surplus with the United States and with the European Community has now become the most urgent matter of external relations.

The new Cabinet looks much more workmanlike than the old in which several appointments were a response to party pressures. In particular the new men include some who are well placed to tackle the crucial issue of the trade imbalance. Mr

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In any western democracy a Küchi Miyazawa goes to the Economic Planning Agency and Mr Nobuhiko Ushiba, not long retired from the embassy in Washington, to a new post as Minister for External Economic Affairs. Both are able spokesmen for Japan who are also familiar with western conditions and attitudes.

But ministerial changes may not be enough to alter very quickly the ever-increasing trade imbalance any more than it pro-mises to be righted of itself by the ever-rising yen. Here, too, basic Japanese feelings are a reminder. Japan's economy is unquestionably part of the world economy of the advanced nations but Japan has not yet, in any active and committed way, brought herself to be a part of that world. Hence a response that is defensive, seeking acceptance and justifying it by the unanswerable argument of Japan's efficiency as an exporter, while at the same time standing aside somewhat from an international responsibility.

Another urgent matter of external relations emerges from the appointment of Mr Sunao Sonoda as Foreign Minister. He is known as a supporter of the long-delayed treaty with China.

Japan has hitherto been unwilling to accept the clause opposing hegemony on which the Chinese insist but which the Russians complain is directed against them. If Japan signs this, they have said and Pravda said it again last week-it would be regarded as an unfriendly gesture in Moscow.

Can Mr Fukuda find an accept able formula? Even if the Chinese are prepared to be flexible it is not likely to be one that will mollify the Russians. Besides, the Russians have yet to sign their treaty ending the war with Japan, the obstacle in that quarter being the seized northern islands which the Russians refuse to return to Japanese sovereignty. Faced with such manoeuvres it is not surprising that the Japanese should have piped up with their own retort by referring to the Sino-Soviet treaty signed in 1950 and valid for thirty years joining the two communist powers against Japan or any power allied with Japan-is tha not cause for present protest? All these are problems for an undecided Japan that will not be solved simply by reshuffling Cabinets.

they themselves had no dealings with the prisoners at all. Refurbishing the SS image From Mr Frank Ziegler Sir, it needed someone like Terence Prime (November 21), whose excel-

with the prisoners at all.

Obviously some individuals and some units of the Waffen SS were guilty of atrocities—and our camp did contain its quota of known war criminals—but for Dr Benedykt (also November 21) to declare that "Waffen SS was one single organization and all SS divisions were engaged in criminal activities..." seems rather to spoil his case by overstatement. Moreover, I think it is true to say that the policy of ent reports on Germany for The I well remember, to dissipate some of the emotion and confusion that mention of the SS still seems to From 1946 to 1947 I was a mem-ber of the Review and Interrogaion staff at an interrument camplike the one Mr Prittie visited. The bulk of the 6,000 or so inmates comprised former SS personnel including members of the Allgement of the SD and it is true to say that the policy of brutality on the German eastern front was not carried out by units of the Waffen SS alone. Yours faithfully. FRANK ZIEGLER,

meine SS, Gestapo and SD-and viridals of the NSDAP (party) Rissington, Farnham Lane, inerarchy, and our job was to investigate, classify and release as many inmates as Alfied security and military government policy permitted. But the SS, having been admirated. Haslemere, Surrey. November 24.

adjudged a criminal organization by Niremberg, we were not allowed to release during the whole of this period, even though the Waffen SS (the majority) consisted mainly of Guin junior NCOs as guiltiess of any trime as the ones interviewed by Mr Privile. Even members of the Totenkopf (Death's Head) brigade, a unit specially concerned with supplying guards for concentration camps, solemnly swore that adjudged a criminal organization From Mr R. B. Williams From Mr R. B. Williams
Sir, Herr Meyer is to be congratulated on the invention of his maladroit euphemism for Naziatrocities, what he calls the "negative aspect" of SS behaviour. However, his analogous reference to HM Guards should be refuted. Guards tradition has been produced by centuries of achievement, by by centuries of achievement, by comparison, Herr Meyer's SS units,

at their very bravest, could only be described as nine day wonders. Yours faithfully, R. B. WILLIAMS, Sometime Coldstream Guards,

Gordon Place, November 24.

Mapping buried history From Miss C. Lavell Sir, The Ordnance Survey Archaeology Division has begun cancelling its subscriptions to archaeological periodicals. This is only to be experced if the appalling decision to murilate the division is being im-plemented; but it raises the very important question of what is to happen to a superb working library that has been maintained at the division over a period of more than fifty years. Will it be kept in morthballs for happier times? Will it has a complete library. it be sold as a complete library?
Or will it be quietly dispersed without anyone being given the chance to raise a protest?

Yours faithfully,
CHERRY LAVELL,
Editor, British Archaeological
Abstracts, 24 Fitzroy Road, NW1. November 22.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

can be placed on faceless govern-

ment bureaucrats to treat them fairly in the absence of "union"

representatives. While the majority

of all ranks would have no truck with the unions there is a ground-

swell for a truly representative Association which the Armed Forces Pay Review Body is not.

From Major-General J. Sheffield

Sir. As a result of successive finan-cial curs in defence the logistic base of the Services has been eroded. Soldiers have been replaced

with static civilians; functions such as feeding have been centralized, and the reserve of accommodation afforded by TA Drift Halls has been

In consequence there has been a loss of mobility and the Services are now expected to literally pull the politicians' chestner out of the fire with totally inadequate

Sir, I was full of admiration for the Lieutenant-Colonel in Manchester who had the courage to speak

publicly about the pay and condi-tions of his men.

cions of his men.

As any good commander he clearly has the interests of his officers and men at heart but in making a public statement he himself takes the risk of being disciplined by his senior officers with possible jeopardy to his own miktary future.

I here that Mr Muller, having

Yours sincerely,

November 24.

liquidated.

Yours, etc.

J. SHEFFIELD. 11 Pitt Street, W8. November 23.

From Mr Graham M. Neil

G. M. NEIL, 74 Grosvenor Street, WL

could substantiate such an untrue allegation and not a penny was paid. Even Eric Moonman must have heard of Yasser Arafat's offer at the UN that the Jewish community then in Israel/Palestine would be entitled to stay in that land.

And for a respected colleague to dismiss the murderous amacks by the Air Force of the State of Israel in Southern Lebanese villages, causing over a hundred deaths, as "retailectory radis against terrorists is totally dishonest. Such attacks are a massive overreaction to isolated guerrilla incidents and would be the cause of an international outtry if the perpetrators were any other man the Israelis with the international

Israelis with the internation

Zionist connexions throughout the mass media of the Western world.

Responsible writing should be the first requirement of one of your regular columnists.

tive energy equipment (solar and wind); waste re-cycling and extrac-tion of pollutants from air and

4 As a final measure, if there is

to be a job for everyone rather than a dole for doing nothing, we have

to return in certain areas to Wil-flam Morris's idea of making things

which are more humanly satisfying when they are made by hand.

I believe that unless we can begin to study the basic problems of the

twenty-first century in this kind of way we shall continue to go from one short-term expedient solution to another, while the underlying prob-

lems of exhaustion of raw materials, population growth in the under-developed countries and arms

Sincerely, ANDREW FAULDS,

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A. P. GALEA,
4 Winchester Close,
Chippenham,
Wiltshire,

#### Discontent in the services over pay

From Brigadier Shelford Bidwell Sir, It is some time since I was in direct contact with the rank and file of the army, but I think I can comment usefully on the eaticle by a "serving officer" on pay (November 24). His historical notions are misleading, to say the least of it: there has been no occasion on which the King's proops have either indulged in "collective bargaining" or been punished by being blown from guns. I suspect the incident concerned hadian troops of the East India Company. Far from being "regularly pard", to take one example, the pay of one of the most successful armies we ever put in the field, in the Peninsula, was often mouths in arrears. As for motivation, even when I joined my battery in 1934 the majority of my section were driven into the army as the choice of two evila, the other being memployment and the "dole". The soldiers were, except for a few NCOs, unmarried, and once in the ermy found a congenial refuge in one or other of the paternalistic, tigitily laid, semisumonomous, little social groups which in fact what "regiments" are. However, we are concerned with recent and present times, not pre-1939.

The postwar national service army was not only miserably paid but the pay of the rank and file was subject to unjust penal deductions summarily inflicted by regulation rather than the process of law under the Army Act. The ration was inadequate for 20-year-olds engaged in physical exertion and they spent at least half their pay suppliementing it in NAAPI cameens, which in rurn paid a "rebate" to regimental funds, but a penny of which come from the public, bridged the gap between hunger and the rations end also (using the unpaid labour of the private soldiers was maintained by appeals by parents, and occasionally wives, to backbench members of Parliament. This helped, but the replies to a "ministerial enquiry" or to a question in the House addressed to the ministerial enquiry or to a question in the House addressed to the ministerial enquiry or to a question in the House addressed to the ministerial enquiry or to a que

The Palestinian assue

From Mr Elican Presman.
Sir, During the Yom Kippur war you were kind enough to publish a letter from me in which I called for the Israel Government to declare that everything was negotiable in the pursuit of peace. Amongst the many letters I received at the time there were many from known supporters of Mr Begin impugning my loyalty as a Jew and declaring such a statement to be a form of national preachery.

a statement to be a form of national preachery.

Now that Mr Begin has himself made such a declaration, a further step forward along the lines of a Palestinian confederation as suggested by Mr Macroby and Mr Frankl in The Times today (November 25) becomes a real possibility and an urgent necessity. This is a proposal entirely in keeping with the Zionist dream, and it offends no previously declared principles—except those of the "rejectionists".

World living standards

From Professor M. W. Thring

From Professor M. W. Thring
Sir, In your leading editorial of
November 22 you wisely and
thoughtfully considered the longterm strategy appropriate for the
British steel industry. I would,
however, like to query one point,
your use of the phrase "when the
recession ends".

your use or the parase when the recession ends.".

It is normal in all strategic planning to assume that we shall return to a period of economic growth in the not no distant fature. I believe there are strong technological reasons for supposing that in the long term there will be little if any more growth in average standard of living in the developed countries and indeed there must be a steady contraction as far as the use of raw materials and energy is concerned.

Clearly all growth curves must come to a stop, due to the limitation of the earth's resources, among which one must particularly men-

which one must particularly men-tion easily won petroleum, coking coal and high grade iron ore. The overriding factor, however, is that it is essential to have a substantial growth in the standard of living of all the expanding population of the under-developed countries if world over-population and World War Three are to be avoided.

Report on Argentina 6

From the Secretary General of Annesty International

Annesty International
Sic, Reporting on Argentina in The
Times of Friday, November 25, your
correspondent Andrew Tarnowski
passed some remarks about
Annesty International which stand
in heed of correction. He appears
to misunderstand both what
Annesty International has done and

what it might reasonably be ex-pected to do. Mr Tarnowski sug-

pected to do. Mr Tarnowski suggests that our organization, like other "fiberals" overseas" who have "pilloried" the Argentine military Government, has played down, if not condoned, the activities of tervorist groups in the country. In its 92-page report, he says. "Amnesty carried six fines on six years of guerrilla arrocities". In fact the report contains over 100 lines on guerrilla violence (for the period covered by the report.

lines on guerrilla violence (for the period covered by the report—March to November, 1976), which in the Conclusion is explicitly condemned: "any impartial observer must condemn the outrages committed by leftwing extremist groups" (p 49). The main point, however, is that Amnesty International's function is to work for prisoners of conscience and the bulk of, its work is therefore concerned with the actions of governments.

Whether in fact Mr Tarnowski is

correct in contending that in Armesty Inter Argentina the government repression may be understood as a November 28.

on both sides.

Great and beneficial reforms were made when we changed over to an all regular, volunteer army, but even n recruiting sufficient numbers of the right quality of men con-tinued to be a constant struggle. I myself doubt whether "adventure", the "mud fort, Mad Mullah, autoured car" image, was really so great an attraction, but active service certainly alleviated the tedium of a life spent between the barrack room, the training area, the playing fields and the NAAFI. The real attraction, bearing in mind that the modern soldier is a professional—and a family man—was a good wage for stilled work walk done and ordisities. y man-was a good wage for d work well done, and stability. Without, these men will neither enlist nor extend their service. What enlist nor extend their service. What has happened is that instability combined with inflation has eroded the soldier's position without a chance of his voice, collective or individual, ever being heard. It might be thought the duty of their officers to speak for them, but they do not, or cannot, for reasons it would take a letter as long as this to explain. I would not care to see a "unionized" army, but of one thing I am sure: the day is not far off when it will be forced upon us. The omens are clear to read.

The omens are clear to read.
Yours fieldfully, SHELFORD BIDWELL 8 Chapel Lane. Wickham Market, Soffolk. November 25. From Squadron Leader A. P. Galea Sir, The article today (November 24) on Service pay and conditions referred to the attempt to deprive

referred to the attempt to deprive short service commissioned aircrew of their gratuities as an "unfounded romour". This "romour" was solidly based on a Defence Council Instruction to that effect. Its non-implementation to the individuals concerned was due largely to the intervention of MPs and newspaper publicity after months of unsuccessful submissions to MOD by unit commanders. This attempt to alter terms of employment without reference to the people affected is but one instance of a process which has been eroding trust and loyalty within the Armed Forces.

Servicemen are rapidly coming to the conclusion that no reliance

read his report, has the same courage as his subordinate and supports his views.

Obviously there is a problem, otherwise a soldier at the present stage of his career would not have satrificed as much as he has done to speak up for his men.

Yours, etc.,

G. M. NRII.

where the Nazis left off in unging the destruction of the Jewish people ...". This is totally untrue and he must be aware that when Christopher Mayhew offered a subwould provide a worthwhile inter-pretation of their dream of a "Greater Israel". Yours faithfully, E. PRESMAN, 67 Gondar Gardens, NW6. startial sum to anyone who could provide evidence of such an intention there was no one who could substantiate such an untrue

From Mr Andrew Faulds, MP for Warley, East (Labour) Warley, East (Labour)
Sir, It really is unacceptable that
your columnist end my colleague,
Eric Moonman, who is Chief Executive of the Zionist Federation of
Great Britain and Ireland should
use his column (November 21) to
misrepresent aspects of the Middle.
East problem To talk in this day of
"the placement of the Palestinian
refugees" as one of the "substantial political divisions between
Israel and the Arab states" is
such an avaidance of the real issue
as to be breathfaking in a responable publican. He must realize that
the requirement of a Palestinian

the requirement of a Palestinian state has now been universally recognized and that even Israel's classest ally, the United States Government has come round to that All who regard themselves as friends of Israel should now urge both the Israel Government and the opposition to declare that such a confederation is their long term aim. And let life Begin's supporters in particular see that this indeed

view.

He writes too of "the Palestine Liberation Organization's public relations machine, which took over Owing to the limitation of raw materials this growth in the industrial production of the underdeveloped countries must necessarily be accompanied by a contraction in the developed

comparies.
The basic problem which the The basic problem which the developed countries have to solve in the next 30 years is, therefore, to find interesting and worth while jobs for all people in a period when the classical growth industries are contracting. It is clear to most ordinary people that it is far better to subsidize certain activities to employ more people than to have people memployed. However, these areas must be chosen to be relevant to the swenty-first-century needs of a world with twice as many people as at present, and with all these 8,000 million people enjoying comparable standards of living.

Four areas which are necessary

Four areas which are necessary for the future life of humanity on a satisfactory basis are: 1 Genuine human service, such as tiursing and teaching. Surely it is better to have classes of eight to ten

in the schools than to have potential teachers unemployed. 2 Agriculture Everything we do in farming is to save labour, and is based on cheap oil Again, it is more

to 8,000 terrorists killed or captured by the military") and in fact these figures require qualification: as our report shows in detail, the scale of repression in Argentina is enormous (probably 10,000 people have "disappeared" since March, 1976) and some of these people are demonstrably innocent of any subversive activity or intent. The gravity of the situation in Argentina has rightly been recognized in

tina has rightly been recognized in a Times editorial of September 9,

1977, and also by the fact that Cyrus Vance in his recent visit to Buenos Aires presented the Argentine authorities with a list of 7,500 detained and disappeared persons.

Yours faithfully,

Marten ennals.

Amnesty International.

10 Southampton Street, WC2.

justified response to terrorist aggression is open to dispute. He quotes with approval a newspaper editor who said, after our report came out, "If they did a report on terrorist atrocities it would probably be much fatter". Yet the implication here is contradicted even by the figures your reporter gives (3,000 people killed by terrorists "since the late 1960s" "7,000 to 8,000 terrorists killed or captured by the military") and in fact these

Romania's Jews: From Mr Ion Ratiu

escalation grow worse.

Engineering.
Oueen Mary College.
University of London,
Mile End Road, E1.

Yours sincerely, M. W. THRING, Department of Mechanical

Sir, All Romanian democrats will welcome Dr Immanuel Jakobovits' sensitive and authorative reporting on Romanian Jewry today ("For Romania's Jews, the scars are healing", November 17). We are happy to have the Chief Rabbi's confirmation that an older truer Romanian tion that an older, truer Romanian tradition has at last displaced the right-wing aberrations of the thirties.

For the sake of the historical truth one should perhaps also record that Romania steadfastly refused to deliver one single "conrefused to deliver one singue coasignment" of Jews for the gas chambers. The 425,000 Jewish victims attributed to Romania in the "Yad Vashem" memorial in Jerusalem should rightly be chaked up against the Hungarians, the Russians and the Germans who ruled in Northern Transylvania, Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina during the holocaust. The Jews in those areas were practically wiped

The Annesty International report on Argentina was prepared with scrupulous care from extensive documentation. Anyone truly interested in its conclusions should read it with more thoroughness than your reporter appears to have done. condemn, unreservedly, the isolated excesses committed, notably isolated excesses committed, notably at lassy and Bucharest, but, in my considered view, the numbers of Jews in territories that stayed Romanian throughout the last war actually increased, which explains the present 290,000 pkts Israeli citizens of Romanian origin. ION RATIU. 54-62 Regent Street, WL

#### Case for a free currency

From Mr John G. Phillimore Sir, Lord Balogh's letter to year congratulating the Chancellor of the Exchequer for "his stand against any further releasion of the exchange controls" (November 24) typifies the myopic Socialist approach that has brought the affairs of this country to so low an eth.

For many of us it is cause for shame rather than satisfaction that, alone of the world's leading industrial countries, we have been dented the prestige and the benefits of a free currency for the past 33 years. And now, if ever, is the time to free-it, with North Sea oil practically-guaranteeing us a favourable balance of payments for some years

ahead.
In any case, ere we not bound under our commitments to the EEC, to allow free movement of capital

to allow free movement of capital by next year?

Lord Balogh seems to assume that, if exchange controls were removed, everyone would rush to invest abroad. He is a poor psychologist. Once the Government, demonstrated its own confidence in our currency by removing its props, both Britons and foreigners would be more likely to feel confidence in investing in British industry, than they are today.

Lord Balogh makes the supprising assertion that British industrial leadership has been "undermined.

leadership has been "undermined since at least 1873" by the dearth of investment at home. No doubt, he will be revealing his evidence to Sir Harold Wilson's Committee, even though he denfes & to your readers. readers.
In fact our investments abroad

over the last century and more have brought untold benefits to this country, not just by the dividends brought back, as he unimaginatively suggests, but by developing worthly wide sources of cheap food for our people and naw materials for our industries, by creating demand overless for our industries are industrial products, and through the vast related insurance. through the vast related insurance and shipping income that forms so large an element in the invisible export surplus that has saved our export surplus that has saved our bacon for so many years past. Not to mention the fact that, had it not been for the accumulation of these great overseas assets by our hardworking forebears, we should have been hard put to it to survive the two World Wars of this century. Your fasthfully, JOHN PHILLIMORE, The Postern

Postern Lane, Tonbridge, Kent, November 25.

#### South African doctors From Dr R. A. Storring

From Dr R. A. Storring

Sir, It seems from your report
todey (November 23) of the Steve
Biko inquest that an investigation
ought to be carried out into the
medical comparence and professional
conduct of the doctors who examined Mr Biko, in particular
Dr Ivor Lang, Dr C. Hersch and the
Dr Benjamin Tucker.

If such an inquiry is not carried
out by the medical amborities in
South Africa in the near foreign
Medical Council will-tease to recognimay I suggest that our General Medical Council will-cease to recor nize South African medical qualifications forthwith. R. A. STORRING, Barking Hospital, Upney Line, Barking, Essex.

### satisfectory to turn farms into kit-chen gardens than to have people doing nothing. 3 There are many areas of indus-rial activity which at present are aneconomic and yet which are essen-tial for the future. These include fuel saving equipment and alterna-tive marray equipment (solar and Saving historic ships From Mr Frank Carr

Sir, In his letter (November 25) Dr Robert Clarke calls attention to the omission of the American whaler Charles W. Morgan from my article (November 19) on the preservation of historic ships. I had not forgotten her, but she was a small vessel built in 1841 for a limited trade, that of catching whales. The Constitution, also square-rigged, like-wise survives, but she was built as a warship in 1787. Neither is typi-cal, as was the Kaiulami of 1899, of the last American built sailing

or the last American built saining merchantmen, which is what I had in mind.

To clarify the issue, I would to clarify the issue, I would to clarify the journal of the National Maritime Histosical.

Society, in which the President Maricine Resident Maritime Resident Reside Society, in which the President, Messer Stanford, writes:

"The National Society was, formed in 1963... to save the steel, bark Kaiulani... in trust for the steel, hard to see her restored as the last surviving. American deepwaterman to carry passengers and freight under sail—the last of the square riggers that built the United States and made the Republic's flag famous at sea." The failure of that project dramatically emphasizes my argument that financial backing is as necessary as dedicated enthusiasm if historic craft are to be saved for posterity. posterity. Yours faithfully,

FRANK CARR, 10 Park Gate, Blackheath, SE3.

#### Questioning the preacher

From Mr Bernard Denvir Sir, Congregations in the past bave ont always been as unresponsive as Mr Hare suggests in today's columns (November 22). On May 16 1532 Marin Sanuto noted a letter from Carlo Capello, the Venetian Ambassador to England, in which he recounted that "On the 13th inst in St Paul's an individual preached in favour of the divorce, and a woman stood up and told him aloud that he lied, and that this example in a king would be the destruction of the laws of matrimony, which is one of the holiest and strongest ties, whereby a man is restrained within the limits of civil and Christian existence.

The fact that she was arrested may of course have helped to dis-courage what, today, we would no doubt describe as "viable inner-personal communication patterns on theological themes in a hieraric" context" emerging as freely as they might otherwise have done.

BERNARD DENVIR 40 Dover Street, W1.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

KENSINGTON PALACE November 28: The Duke of Glou-cester opened an Exhibition of the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission at the Headquarters of the Royal Insti-tute of British Architects, Port-land Place, this evening. Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland

November 28: The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the National Society for Caucer Relief, today opened the Society's Christmas Fair at the Portman Hotel.

London. Mrs Alan Henderson was in

YORK HOUSE November 24: The Duke of Kent today visited International Com-puters Limited at West Gorton, and in the afternoon opened the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institu-tion's Home at Eccles. His Royal Highness delivered the Annual Lectures of the Instithe Annual Lecture to the Insti-tute of Directors at a dinner held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester. The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the Leeds International Planoforte Competition, this evening attended the opening day of the Leeds National Musicians Platform at the

University of Leeds.
Their Royal Highnesses, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Flight, were attended by
Lieutenant-Commander Richard
Buckley, RN, and Mrs Peter
Wilmot-Sitwell.

Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President of the United Kingdom Girl Guides' Association, will visit the Girl Guides' Association's Commonwealth Headquarters in Buckingham Pelace Road on Friday to meet the world committee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Sconts.

Birthdays today Lord Brown, 59; Sir Eric Drake, 57; Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Greeson, 89; Professor M. E. Roward, 55; Sir Edward Huiton, 71; Professor Frank Kermode, 58; Mr Goronwy Rees, 68; Sir David Steel, 61; Sir Peter Texmant, 67.

#### Forthcoming marriages

Surgeon Lieutenant R. E. Ashton. and Miss P. L. Hayne The engagement is announced between Richard, youngest son of Dr Eric Ashton and the late Dr Sylvia Ashton. of Dittisham, Devon, and Penelope Louise, only daughter of Commodore and Mrs G. Hayne, of Westover, Tur-leigh Rendforden Avon leigh, Bradford-on-Avon.

Mr G. M. Hamilton The engagement is announced between Graeme Hamilton, younger son of Jean Lady Bur-bidge, of Tidmarsh, Berkshire, and the late L. M. Hamilton, and Deirdre Lyun, younger daughter of the late Mr and Mrs T. Stirling-Martin, of Bedfordshire.

Mr J. L. Marshall and Miss S. E. Mount

the engagement is aunounced between John Leslie Marshall, 11 Minster Court. Hillcrest Road, London WS, only son of the late Professor W. T. Marshall and of Mrs Marshall, and Susan Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David S. Mount, The Dower House, Petham, Canterbury, Kent.

Major T. La R. Martin and Miss J. A. Treguana

and thiss J. A. Treganna
The engagement is announced between Trevor Martin, of Hadlow Park, Tonbridge, and Jacqueline, only daughter of Mrs Edith Tregunna, of Carshalton, and the late Reverand Frederick Tregunna, BA, formerly of St Augustine's Church, Tooting.

The engagement is andounced between L. A. B. Morris, son of the late T. W. Morris, ICS, and Mrs Doris Hausford, widow of Professor S. Howard Hausford. Foreign and Commonwealth Office Mr J. A. N. Graham, Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held at the Goring Hotel yesterday in honour of Dr Mohammed Ali Hachem, Minister of Eigher Education, Syria. The Charge d'Affaires of Syria was among the guests. The marriage will take place on December 17 at All Saints Church,

Mr A. R. Wood and Miss P. A. Hill

and Miss r. A. mus
The engagement is announced
between Andrew, son of MajorGeneral and Mrs D. B. Wood, of
Hurtmore, and Penelope, eldest
daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman
Hill, of Camberley.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Alan Lee Williams, MP, to be
a member of the Advisory Council
on Public Records, in place of Mr
Brian Walden, who has resigned.

Colonel S. G. Banks to be Com-mandant of the Star and Garter Home for Disabled Sailors. Soldters and Airmen in succession Major Denis Beatson-Hird.

### Shakespeare players plan longer Newcastle season

By Martin Huckerby By Martin Euckerby
Theatre Reporter
In another step towards establishing Newcastel upon Type as a
regular third base for the Royal
Shakespeare Company, it was announced yesterday that the compeany will give a six-week season
there early next year, performing
11 plays in a season a third longer
than this year's.
From February 13 to March 25
it will present a Shakespeare his-

ory series from the Stratford-on Avon repertory: Henry V, Henry VI (parts one, two and tirre) and Coriolanus, all with Alan Howard in the title role. The other Shakespeare production will be As You Like It.

Five smaller productions will include a new production of Strindburg's The Dance of Death. Pam Gem's Queen Christina, and David Rudkin's The Sons of Light.

#### Good breeding season for peregrines

Peregrine falcons have had one of their most successful breeding sessons for several years, according to the Royal Society for the Protaction of Birds. Nearly 300 young are known to have flown from nesss monitored by the society. The society's protection scheme.

The society's protection scheme, run with full police cooperation, ensured that many vulnerable nest sites were guarded day and night, and others kept under constant surveillance during the nesting period, April to July.

'A survey of the present state of hirds of prey by four experts is also published in the society's magazine this month. It says it is unlifiedly that there are more than a thousand pairs of peregrines in Rurope, of which the British population represents nearly half, and is the only one that is increasing.

Latest wills

Manchester

F. Straton, DSc. MD (Manc), director of the blood transfusion service of the North Western Regional Health Authority, has been appointed professor (partitime) of human serology.

H. B. Sconer, BSc. MD (Sheffish), director of the Medical Research Council traums unit in the medical school, has been appointed to an honorary chair of surgical science.

J. H. Baxendale, DSc (Manc), reader in chemistry, has been appointed to a chair of physical chemistry.

Other appointments Latest estates include (net, before tax; tax not disclosed):
Randall, Sir Alec Walter George, of Oxbed, Ambassador to Denmark 1947-52 . . . £25,798
Roebuck, Mr Gilbert, of Huddersfield . . . £631,547 field ... £633,547
Penrose-May, Vera, of Harrogane, £167,335
Wilson, Colonel Norman, of Leighton Buzzard, engineer .£233,202 ton Buzzard, engineer . £233,202 Coryton, Mrs Violet Alice Amy, of Liss . . . £201,534 Stewart-Evans, Miss Alice Cath-

Dale, Mr Thomas Charles, Lightwater, Surrey (incestate) £99,378 Daiton, Mr Reginald, of Fillong-lay, Warwickshire . £111.549 Skerritt, Miss Kathleen, of Map-perley Park, Nottingham £196,283

Inner Temple Sir John Pennycuick has been elected Treasurer of the Inner Temple for 1978; Mr Justice Theriger has been elected Reader.

Mansion House yesterday evening. The outgoing Master, Mr Peter L. Byron Society
The Byron Society hald a reception at the Royal Institution yesterday evening after a lecture given by Dr A. L. Rowse on the Early Byrons. The chairman was Lady Mander, and among those Clarke, presided, and guest speakers included Canon Richard Tydeman and the Recorder of London. Among other guests were the Bishop of Norwich, General V. Fitzgeorge-Balfour, masters of other livery companies and the presidents and chairmen of the presidents and chairmen of the various bakery trade organizations.

The Company has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master, Mr E. A. Parker; Upper Warden, Mr C. W. Judge; Second Warden, Mr J. Payne; Third Warden, Sir Charles Taylor; and Under Warden, Mr F. H. Taylor.

host at a dinner held at Lancaster House last might in honour of Mr Li Chiang, Minister of Foreign Trade of the People's Republic of China.

Secretary of State for Employment

Mr Albert Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, was host at a dinner held at Admiralty House Jast night in honour of the visit to Great Britain of Dr Herbert Ehrenberg, Minister of Labour and

Ehrenberg, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs for the Federal Re-

public of Germany, and Frau Ehrenberg. Other guests included Herr and Fran Hams Heinrich Niebel, Mr Harold Walker, MP, Mr Alan Swinden and Mr Norman Willia

The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriffs, attended the annual election dinner of

the Bakers' Company held at the

Rekers' Company

Duchess opens fair: The Duchess of Kent.

patron of the National Society for Cancer Relief, holding a toy bear, named Gladly, which was

raffled at the society's Christmas Fair, which she officially opened at the Portman Hotel, London,

yesterday. The bear was made by Mrs M. Warwick, a blind woman, of Lewes. Sussex. The proceeds of the fair will go towards the

Luncheons

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Royal Over-Seas League
The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress of Westminster, accompatied by Mr J. A. Clewley, were
guests at a luncheon given by the
Chairman of the Royal Over-Seas
League, Lord Grey of Naunton,
and members of the central council at Over-Seas House, yesterday.

present were: of Longford, Lady Caroline Lytton, Mrs Elma Danie Langley Moore, Mr Richard Byron, Mr Robert Byron, Mrs Elma Dangeriald, Lady Daly, Mr Michael Roces, Mr Ign Scott-Rilvert and Mr Williams St Clair.

HM Government Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was

University news

Other appointments

Officer appointments Lecturers: Agricultural economics. T. Young. BA: Econ: (Noti., MA: Econ.) (Manc.), PhD (Callf): law. A. Evans, BA. LLB (Cantab), N. E. Pelmer, MA. BCL. (Oxon: clinical neurology. I. T. Forguson, MB. Cab (St. Andrews); neurosurgery, Jagger Mohan, MB. BS (Bristol); computer science, A. Raws-

Dr Robert F. Dearden, BA PhD

(Lond), reader in the philosophy of education, London University, has been appointed professor of education and head of the department of history and pholisophy of education force.

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From The Times of Friday, November 28, 1952

Slansky death sentence

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25 years ago

Dinners

Royal Over-Seas League

and Social Security to Dr M. J. Tobin, for a study of braille contractions,

Today's engagements

#### Few of those ambitious birds and animals have survived. Yesterday seems to be the first time that a pair of the same model have been offered at auction; the last society's Christmas fund, from which patient receiving regular support will receive a Christmas gift. The Duchess said she had once heard of a boy who named his teddy bear Gladly after the line in a well-known hymn: "Gladly my cross I'd bear." However, the boy had misuaderstood the title, she said. He thought it

paid

birds

in Dresden

By Geralidne Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

Two vast white figures of vultures (70 cm high), produced by the Meissen factory about 1731, were sold at Christie's yesterday for £75,000 (estimate £30,000 to

£40,000), the highest auction price on record for Meissen porcelan.

When they were produced Euro-pean manufacturers had not yet learnt the limitations of the new

substance; the aim was to produce

sculpture in porcelain and the fire cracks bear witness to the musuitability of the idea.

That, however, does not detract from the historic interest of the pieces, probably a collaboration of the factory's two great model-lers, Kirchner and Kändler, and

made, with other large birds and animals, for the Japanese Palace

for Meissen

Mr Bryan Robertson was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Contemporary Art Society at the Arts Club last night after his lecture on the condition of art.

Farmers Company

The Farmers' Company held a livery dinner at Innholders' Hall, livery dinner at Innholders' Hall, last night when the Master, Mr Midhael C. Cheveley, assisted by the Wardens, Mr Arnold Q. Hitchcock and Mr Robert J. Farrison, entertained the Minister of State, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Members of ast management courses proposed past management courses propor the health of the company, the health of the company, to which the Master replied and also proposed the toast of agriculture and the guests. The Minister of State replied. Among others pre-

The Permanent Secretary. Ministry of Agriculture, Fishertes and Food, the deputy president, Country Landowners Association. the vice-president, National Farmers' Union, the president National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers, the chairman of council, Royal Agricultural Society of England and the Chairman, the Corn Exchange Company.

nchester Law Students Society Manchester Law Students Society
The Manchester Law Students
Society held their annual dinner
at the Horel Piccedilly, Manchester, last night. The speakers
were Vice-Chancellor BlackertOrd and Mr M. Whincup. The
guests included the presidents of
the Manchester Law Society and
the Young Solicitors Group, the
chairman of the Manchester Young
Solicitors Association and local
circuit judges and registrars.

### The Queen holds investiture, 11.

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Princess Margaret attends ball
held by Guld of Professional
Tosstmasters, Hilton hotel, in
aid of Dockland Sertlements of
which she is president, 7.30.
The Duke of Gloucester, Grand
Prior of the Order of St John,
presents prophies at Grand
Prior's Trophy first aid competition, Seymour Hall, 2.45;
attends dinner given by National
Sporting Club, Café Royal, in
aid of the Queen's Sfiver Jubilee
Fund, 6.

Middle Temple

The Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple have made the following awards:

### Record price | OBITUARY

#### PROFESSOR W. H. McMENEMY Neuropathology and medical history

who died on November 24 at the age of 72, was a Fellow of three Royal Colleges-those of the Physicians of London, Parhologists, and Psychiatrists. This priple recognition of his contribution to medicine as one of the outstanding neuro-patho-logists of his generation was supplemented by the fact that he had an equally high standing as a medical historian. Notable among his historical writings was A History of the Worcester Royal Infirmary, written while he was pathologist to the hos-pital and published in 1947 to celebrate its bicentenary. As the then Bishop of Worcester pointed out in his foreword. t "had a much wider interest than the city and county of Worcester", and had "only een written after a long period

of careful research work, where

Professor W. H. McMenemy,

facts had been collected, checked and verified. These single figure made £13,125 at Christie's in 1971. The father of were the criteria that charac-terized all his work and raised considers in 1971. The father of yesterday's vendor sold a single pelican, the rarest of the birds, at Sotheby's in 1958 for £2,200. The two vultures were hought by a private American collector for his dining room, which already contains four other Meissen white hirds. it to the high level inter-nationally recognized by his peers.
William Henry McMeneury was born on May 16, 1905. He was educated at Birkenhead School; Merton College, Ox-ford, and St Bartholomew's The sale also included an excenhospital. On qualifying in 1929 he quickly evinced an interest in both pathology and neurology, being a junior demonstra-

birds.

The sale also included an exceptional Meissen service split into two lots. It was orginally supplied to Frederick the Great in Berlin and each piece is individually painted with animals or birds. In the 1930s it was presented by Goering to William Randolph Hearst on account of his propaguads for the National Socialist Government in America. It was divided into 32 lots and sold for a total of 171,200.

The top price was paid by the Antique Porcelain Company for two dishes, one painted with a tiger, the other with a brown bear, at 14,500 (estimate f1,500 to 12,500). Baskett and Day, who normally deal in prints and drawings, bought several lots, including two soup plates, decorated with a duck and a turkey in land-cape vigneties at £3,800 (estimate f1,000 to £1,500).

The sale made £271,645, with 14 per cent unsold. The bidding throughout was highly compenitive apart from a handful of items that failed to appeal. Nymphenburg figures are so rare that few collectors are interested; a figure of Douna Martina was unsold at £4,500. Another version of the model made £18,000 or Christle's

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model made £18.000 ar Christie's last March.
Sotheby's sale of Cominemal books yesterday made £41,428, with less than I per cent unsold.
A sale of Old Master drawings brought £15,885, with 7 per cent unsold.

In Masteria unsold.

In Hongkong a Sotheby sale of fine Chinese school pictures made £84,578 with 23 per cent unsold. Conventional decorative works seem to have sold well; with a portrait of Margaret Erskine by George Chinnery at SHK45,000 (estimate \$25,000 to \$40,000) or £3,309.

Bridge triumph

for London pair at Torquay

The English Bridge Union's charity congress played at the Palace Hotel, Torquay, last weekend was a triumph for A. M. Hiron and P. J. Steckelmacher, who won both the main events, the championship teams, with R. J. Rowlands and V. Martin (our Bridge Correspondent writes).

Mrs G. A. Pike, of Somerset, was an easy winner of the Reli was as easy winner of the Bell Cup for the bast performance by a woman over the three days. She won the mixed pairs, was third in the championship pairs and fourth in the championship teams.

in the same capacity in 1987. From 1940 he spent nine happy years as puthologist to the Worcester Royal Islamous, returning to London as patho-logist to Maida Vale Hospital in 1949, where he stayed upul his retirement in 1970. During the last five years of this period he was Professor of Pathology in the University of London at the Institute of Neurology.

His presidencies were even more numerous than his Fellowships. At different times he lowships. At different times he served as president of the International Society of Clinical Pathologists; the British Neuropathological Society; and the Sections of Neurology and of the History of Medicine of the Royal Society of Medicine. He was also an honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australia, and an honorary member of learned societies in member of learned societies in the United States, France, Spain and Romania.

This national and inter-national recognition of the exteem in which he was held by his colleagues at home and overseas was not only in respect of the standard of his work, but also of his willingness to help those who sought his aid and advice. Unassum-ing and the least pretentions of men, he was always antor in pathology at his own hospital, and then registrar in proachable, and his sympa-thetic understanding proved an infinite help and comfort neurology at Maida Vale Hos-pital. In due course he was to junior collegenes, his stanappointed assistant pathologist at the West End Hospital for dards were high and inflexible. at the West End Hospital for but these striving to attrin and Nervous Diseases, moving to maintain these never failed to the Radeliffe Hospital, Oxford.

#### MISS WINIFRED COATE

Miss Winifred A. Coate, OBE, died on November 23 and her death brings to an end a notable career of service in the Middle East. Born in London in 1893, Winifred Coate spent her early years in her father's Dorset parish. In 1920 she went to the Middle East under the Church Missionary Society and served in schools in Jerusalem. Cairo and Lebanon. Her main contribution was as principal of Jerusalem Girls' College for 15 years: a talented teacher, she inspired both students and staff alike, and was awarded King George's Coronation Medal in recognition of her services.

as a Church educational adviser.
Two years later she happened to be at Zerka, where one of the first refugee camps in Jordan was established. She at once threw herself into the rask of bringing order out of chaos. organizing funds and relief, helping the Arab refugees to help themselves. Then she ser about building up Zerka into a model refugee centre with bealth, craft and training programmes, at the same time serving on the Near East Coristian Council's Refugee Relief Service. She was made an MBE in 1951, and eight years later formally retired from service with CMS.

Then began what was to become perhaps the most remarkable chapter in her life. Con-cern for the farmers among the refugees led her out into the desert north of Zerka. Here the remains of Crusader forts led her to believe that ample water might lie under the arid land. Against the advice of geologists, she bought some land in the area and, with a refugae friend

number of charities, and king Husain himself took a great interest in the project, giving a tract of land and naming the village Abdelliyeh in memory of his grandfather, King Abdullah,

Undeterred by countless trizls and bearing (including at the and hazards (including, at the age of 77, being bit by a stray buller in 1970 and spending six days without medical attention). days without medical attention. Miss Coate saw the project through its early struggles, developed a cooperative and finally, in a typical gesture, insisted against their pleas that the Arabs themselves should take responsibility for managing their village and its realist In 1946 she moved to Jordan

who had divining powers, discovered water. Oxfam tack a calculated risk and gave the project \$5,000 to sink the first

well. Then followed a laborious process of gradually developing

the area. Funds came in from a

their village and its wells. Thus she fulfilled her purpose of helping "the homeless and the poor to help themselves, in order that they may establish their lives on a self-respecting basis with a sense of security, and become independent of the

and become independent of the need to accept charity".

In a situation of hopelessness and despair, Winifred Coate lit a candle of courageous love: Against all odds, and by sheer hard work and perseverence. leavened with patient good humour, she held true to her Christian conviction. "Contemplation of the total suffering of the total suffering of

the people" she wrote "is over-whelming and paralysing, but ... if only a few can be helped to independence, it is worth-while to help those faw."
Last year she was made OBE for her services to the commu-nity in Jordan, and she returned to this country earlier this year.

#### SENATOR JOHN McCLELLAN

Senator John McChellan who had represented Arkansas in the United States Senate since 1943, died on November 27 at the age of 81. A lawyer by profession he was first elected to the House of Representatives to 1934, serving two terms before returning to private practice. In 1943 he was elected to the Senate and had seared first times served five times.

He came to public notice in the United States in the 1950s

DR LIONEL ROSEN

Dr Lionel Rosen, OBE, one of the first students to enrol at the University College of Hull in 1927, the first chairman of Convocation of the University of Hull and a member of the Council of the University ince 1954

versity since 1954, has died at his home in Hull. Rosen, a former Lord Mayor of Hud, first studied engineerof Huth, first studied engineering before taking up law as a career. He was author of Matrimonial Law Offences. During the 1939-45 War he served in the RAOC and was elected to Hull City Council in 1945, serving until 1973. He was Sheriff in 1951-52 and Lord Mayor in 1972-73. In 1972 he was made OBE and elected was made OBE and elected was made UBE and elected alderman. Rosen was a founder member of the Hull Council of Christians and Jews, chairman of Hull Philharmonic Society for 20 years and was twice president of Hull Literary Club. In 1964-65 he chaired a working party whose recommendation led to the foundation of the

Yorkshire Arts Association. RICHARD CARLSON

Richard Carlson, the American stage and falm actor, has died in Los Angeles at the age of 65. His Broadway shows in-cluded The Ghost of Yankee Doodle with Ethel Barrymore in 1938 and in the following year he made his screen debut in The Young in Heart For a mumber of years he played the diffidem youth until he outgrew such roles. Among his many films were No, No Nanette (1940); The Little Poxes (1941); King Solomon's Mines (1950); Valentino (1951); Riders to the Stars (1954) which he also direc-ted and The Valley of Guangi

Professor Georges Henyer, the distinguished neuro-psychia-trist, a member of the National Academy of Medicine, died on

during the hearings involving the United States Army and Senator Joseph McCarchy, but rose to prominence as a Senate investigator of labour racketeering. As chairman of the Senate investigations sub-committee he was also much involved in the enactment of anti-crime legislation. Latterly he had given up this role and taken over the chairmanship of the Senate appropriations committee which approves funds for all government agencies.

#### DR MAURICE INGRAM

Dr Maurice Ingram, CBE, former Director of the Agricul-tural Research Council Meat Research Institute at Langford. near Bristol, died suddenly at his home in Churchill, Avon, on Novembr 15. He was 65.

A microbiologist of international repute, his research had particular relevance to food and he was created CBE in

During the Second World War while at the Low Tem-perature Research Station in Cambridge, he directed work that led to the development of the special rations issued to Allied invading armies and to underground organizations in Europe. He was awarded the Haakon VII Liberty Medal by the Norwegian Government in recognition of his services.

He was also Professor of Applied Microbiology at the University of Bristol and retired as Director of the Meat Research Institute in 1973 but continued his scientific activi-ties making numerous trips overseas both in a personal Capacity and as a consultant to the World Health Organization. In July 1977 he travelled to Poland where he received the Gold Medal of Honour of the Polish Society of Microbiology for "most outstanding services to microbiology.

He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter.

Professor Georges Friedmann the French sociologist died in Parts our Nov 15 at the age of 75. He was a former president of the International Sociology Association. His publications included a two-volume work on The problems of Latin America and The End of the Jewish People? He served with the French resistance movement during the Second World War.

### INDIAN CYCLONE DISASTER

200,000 homeless in urgent need -50,000 of these are children

Cable received by A.I.D. from experienced relief worker on the spot: "Typical of tragedy is 4-year-old

girl, orphaned in Talakudi village. Child survived in nearby house, but both parents and four brothers and sisters perished . . . great need . . . urge British public to respond generously."

Relief supplies and medical aid desperately required. Please enable us to speed help to those who need it. Every penny you give will go directly to help the victims of this catastrophe.

Please send to: Action in Distress, Cyclone Relief Fund (Dept. TO1), c/o Midland Bank Ltd., P.O. Box IEG, 52 Oxford Street, London W1A 1EG.

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### The night sky in December

The decline and fall of Rudolf Slansky [sentenced to death with 10 others in Prague] exactly fol The decline and fall of Rudulf Slansky (sentenced to death with 10 others in Prague) exactly follows the pattern which was drawn in Russia during the Thirties for removing leaders of a Communist state. Dismissal from office is followed by a long period of imprisonment which culminates in a trial, self-accusation and death. This is the road which in 1949 brought to the gallows Laszlo Rajk, the Foreign Minister of Hungary, and Traicho Kostov, the deputy Prime Minister of Bulgaria. It is presumably also the road which is now being trod by the disgraced leaders of Poland and Rumania, Wladyslaw Gomulka and Anna Pauker. There are, however, certain features of the Prague trial which has just ended which make it differ from its predecessors. Three years ago the figure who really stood in the dock in Bulgapst and Sofia was Marshal Tito. Titoism was then the gravest sin of which a Communist could be accused and all the threads in the Hungarian and Bulgarian conspiracies were made to lead back to Belgrade. Now the emphasis has changed. Although one of the numerous crimes of which Stanksy stood accused was

one of the numerous crimes of which Slanksy stood accused was that he intended to make himself the Czechoslovak Tito the main the Czechoslovak Tito the main charge against him was that he was "an agent of the Anglo-American Imperialists". The American secret service has today become for Communists the external bogy without which revolutionary regimes have never been able to enforce internal discipline.

#### Memorial service

Mr J. Blow A memorial service for Mr Jona-than Blow was held in Gloucester Cathedral on Saturday, November 26. The service was conducted by the Rev G. Martin, the Very Rev Gilbert Thurlow, Dean of Glouces-ter, and Canon Wardle. Mr Detmar ter, and Canon Wardie. Mr Detmar Blow (son) gave an address. Among those present were: Mrs Blow (widow). Mr Detmar Blow and Mr Amaury Blow (Sons). Mias Seina Blow (aughter). Mr and Mrs Philip Warre Cornish Ibrothor-in-law and sister, Mrs Richard Blow (astar-in-law). Mr and Mrs Frederick de Silva (Fatter-in-law) and mother-in-law). Mr Desmond de Silva (brother-in-law). Mr Desmond de Silva (brother-in-law). Mr David Blow. Mr Simon Blow. Miss Gatherine Blow. Mr Simon Blow. Miss Gatherine Blow. Mr Desman Warre Cornish, Mr Desman Warre Cornish, Mr Desman Warre Cornish, Dinah Lady Tolleman, Warre Cornish, Dinah Lady Tolleman, Warre Led Gathered Mr Hugh California (Sambord, Mr M.). Berkeley. Mr G. Ton Mallickrothe Bush. Mr R. Diets (represented

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Mercury will reach greatest
elongation (21") as an evening
star on the 3rd, but it will set
only an hour after the Sun and
is unlikely to be seen in the
United Kingdom. It has a large
south declination, which makes it
very low in our sky but more
observable farther south. Interior
conjunction on the 21st.
Verns is now rusning into the
starrise and will be lost before
the end of the month.
Mars will be stationary on the Mars will be stationary on the 13th, so its motion among the starts is very small, a little to the west of the position shown in the first half of the month, and back again in the second. Moon near it on the 1st and 28th.

Jupiter now rises about susset and is observable all night. It will reach opposition on the 23rd and be at its nearest and brightest for the year. Moon nearing it on

the 24th.

Saturn is not quite on the mouthly chart, though it will have risen a little to the south-east of Regulus by 23h. Moon in the area on the 2nd and 29th.

Uranus and Neptune remain unobservable, the former as a morning star rather close to the Sun, and the latter in conjunction on the 8th.

The Moon last quarter, 3d2ih; new, 10d18h; first quarter, 17d11h; full, 25d13h.

The Solstice, when the Sun will reach its farthest point south on the celestial sphere, will be at 21d23h, but the earliest sunsets in the United Kingdom will be between the 11th and the 16th, and and the latest sunrises from the

Algol: approximate times of evening minima are 4d22h, 7d19h, 24d24h, 27d20½h and 30d17½h. Mira Ceti: maximum is expected to occur early in the month and the star is likely to be fading by the end. Maximum magnitude is variable but is usually about 3. variable but is usually about 3.

We are approaching the time of year when the Star of Rethlehem will be in some people's minds. What was it? Nobody knows, but over the years many suggestions have been made. One way out is to regard it as either a myth or a miracle, not astronomical at all, but that is hardly a scientific approach. Let us assume that there was an astronomical event, but that the story has been "embroidered" in the telling, a basic fact with unreliable denails. There have been many ideas, such as a

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astrological seems more likely. Whatever it was would be visible

to the wise men of Judaea as well as to those "from the east". In the east was the site of the ancient Babylonian Empire, where for a thousand years or more astronomy and astrology (indistinguishable in those days) had been intelligentily studied. Indeed, the area has been described as "the cradle of astronomy". It could well be that the well trained wise men there had interpreted the event, whatever it was, while Herod's advisers had passed it by.
Historical research purs the probable date of the birth of Jesus at 6 BC, and astronomical research has shown that in 7 BC there was a rare (but not unique) stries of conjunctions of the bright planets Jupiter and Saturn. They passed each other three times, and were no more than three three decrease areas for much of

wich and earlier by a like amount is the place be east. The map should be turned so that the horizon the observer is faring (shown by the words around the circle) is at the horizon, the renith heing the centre. Greenwich Mezza Time, known o astronomers as Uni-versal Time and supressed in 24-by notations, is used in the accommentation. the year; this west surely have impressed the astrologers. That

impressed the astrologers. That could be the event that caused the wise men to undertake their journey, with "the star went before them" a part of the subsequent story-telling. We shall never know, but it is a reasonable theory. easonable theory.
This is the time of year when residents in northern latitudes can see the sky at its best. With darkness coming early, the summer stars such as Vega, Deneb and Altair can still be seen (see maps for September and October) for an hour or two after sunset, and well before midnight the winter constellations. Orion, Gemini and others will be up.

The Milky Way can be seen to The Miky Way can be seen to better advantage in the early evening, as it is brighter in the Cygnus-Aquila region than in Auriga-Canie Major. On Christmas Day late revellers will have a full more to help them home

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### Big banks divided Hattersley over size of increase in base lending rates

Banking Correspondent

Uncertainty over the shortterm outlook for interest rates has led to sharp differences of opinion among clearing banks over base rates.

Leading the way, National Westminster amounted an increase in its base rate early in the day of a full 1½ per cent to 7½ per cent. This was followed by Lloyds which limited its rise by 1 point to 7 per cent.

ter on base rate changes, and Midland both preferred to wait so see "how interest rates shape up" before changing their base rates.

Apart from Courts, part of the NatWest group, the other banks are taking a back seat until they see which way Barciays and Midland move. The rises are in response to the lucrease to 7 per cent from 5 per cent in the Bank of England's minimum lending rate land's minimum lending rate.
To buttress the profitability of their domestic banking operations, which have come under mounting strain this year as a result of the rapid fall in interest rates. NatWest and Lloyds have widened the margin between their base and deposit NatWest is raising the rate on seven-day branch deposits by a point to 4 per cent while Lloyds has kept the increase down to i per cent to 3i per A split on base rates last developed just over a year ago

when Barclays pushed up its rate to 14 per cent, half a point more than the other three clearers for a brief

The major banks can stay out of line for a short time, particularly with a growing proportion of lending to corporate customers now tied to money market rather than base rates; but the competitive pressures are such that account switching would develon over the lorner

rm. Money market rates, howfailed to give a decisive lead to base rates yesterday. The key indicator for base rates, three mouth inter-bank rate, continued to firm throughout the day to close at almost 7 per cent, but it was not strong enough to suggest another rise in MLR this week. If rates in level out it seems If rates do level out it seems likely that Lloyds could turn out to have pirched its increase correctly. But Mr John Montgomery, chief general manager of Lloyds, was leaving his options open by saying that "should there be a further rise in the general level of rates we may well have to increase our base rate further".

Both Barckays and Midland are expected to make their base rate moves in the next day or While base rate changes will be reflected in overdraft borrowing—personal customers pay between 3 and 5 per cent over base rate—there is kirtle change of any immediate change in the costs of borrowing also-where

### City panel reprimands NatWest ex-employee

A £500 share dealing profit made by a National Westminter assistant bank manager has jed to a public reprimand from

The reprimend follows an arrivable on a Share inquiry which centred on a 60p-e-share takeover bid by JWI, a Canadian company, for the Ericish group, C. H. Johnson & Sons. The JWI offer was made public at 4 pm on April 13.

However, early in the afternion a copy of the amouncement was noticed by Mr Eller-Con, who worked at a major of the appropriate the second public to the second p

NatWest branch, which was inolved in the negotiations. He telephoned his stockbroker and, using the name of a friend who happened to be a

ent of the same firm, asked ir the price of Johnson's

Although it was apparent can the response that the anouncement had not been tade public, Mr Ellerton refered 2,000 shares in the

name of the friend and these were purchased at a price of 34p a share.

The friend who was out of the country and had no know-ledge of the transaction subssquently accepted the JWI offer and paid over the profit on the deal to Mr Ellerton. The Stock Exchange launched

an investigation into dealings at the request of Johnson and the results of it were passed on to the company, which then made its own inquiries.

According to the panel, Mr Ellerton, as soon as he became aware of these investigations, informed his superiors at the bank of his purchase and they immediately carried out an incrine. In a statement issued lust night the panel says that Mr Ellerton was in breach of role 30 of the Takeover Code, which

covers insider deals. Mr Ellerton, who has since left NatWest, has accepted that his action was wrong and ex-pressed his regret to the panel. He has also said he will pay over the profit to a charity

approved by the panel.

### guidelines for review of competition By Derek Herris

An inter-departmental working party to review competition policy was amounced yesterday by Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer

The review, with an interim report called for as a matter of urgency by the spring, could result in the criteria governing the assessment of the desire-bility of particular mergers and monopolies being rewritten. Mr Hattersley made it clear that it was possible existing mergers could be affected once new legislation was put through.

But in that respect there could be practical difficulties, he pointed out.

He was looking to more government intervention in pur-suit of an increase of efficiency, including an encouragement of competition. This could spread

to the securities market, he said. Asked if that meant the Asked if that meant me Government was moving to-wards the setting up of a system like the Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States. Mr Hattersley said that would mean waiting for the working party's report as well as that of the Wilson

as well as that of the Walson committee.

Possible changes in mergers and monopoly policy will be the first priority of the review, which will then move on to other especies of competition policy such as restrictive trading practices, where the question of the professions is expected to have a big part.

The working party has also The working party has also been asked to consider whether the Office of Fair Trading (OFT), the Monopolies and Mergers Commission and the Price Commission should be fixed into one openingtion.

used into one organization.
At the moment Mr Hattersley At the moment Mr Hattersley is inclined to favour such a fusion, but there are expected to be arguments that one body should investigate and a separate one make judicial judgments, rather as the OFT and Monopolius Commission do at

Major changes from the raview ere some likely to be a job for the next Government than the last sessions of the present one. A discussion Green Paper may be issued in due transact.

The review has been promo-ted by increasing concern about the growing concennration of British industry,

Mr Hattersley maintained that there was no clash with the Government's industrial strategy which could lead to amatgamation of companies. Decisions there needed to be made on a case-by-case basis. He planned to amend the Fair Trading Act 1973 as soon as possible to make this clear in relation to merkary

Nationalized industries, now under Price Commission scrutiny, will not come within the scope of the review.

In reassessing competition criteria the working party will look at problems of product domination and whether market share benchmarks will need to be changed. The position of conglomerate companies will be scrutinized. rized. will be confirmed Financial Editor, page 19

### US trade deficit grows by \$3,100m

America's trade gap widened to a record \$3,100m (about £1,700m) in October. This

was about \$600m larger than market expectations and compares with a September deficit of \$1,720m.
The dollar immediately weakened on the news. It fouched DM 221 and 214 Swiss france—both record lows—before recovering aligntly at the London close Japan held the yen down to close at 240.25 to the dollar.

to some extent exaggerates the underlying trade gap. A dock strike on the east coast of America has distorted the payments fig-ures for both September and October. It began on October 1 and some exports were brought forward in anticipation. were brought forward in anticipation. There was a large rise in overseas sales in September and a consequent drop of \$1,730m in October to \$9,190m, Imports also fell, to \$12,290m from \$12,630m.

Ms Courtenay Slater, chief ecunemist of the Department of Commerce, pointed this out when amouncing the October figure

Peace call

by stewards

at Tyne yard

By Our Industrial Correspon Outfitting workers employed by Swan Hunter at its Tyne-side yard will this morning be asked to lift their three-month overtime ban which threatens a

fish contract British Ship-builders wants to place with the company as part of the £115m Polish shipbuilding con-

1.700 workers attend the mass meeting this morning ar which the shop stewards will recommend a

return to normal working. The breakthrough came after more than four hours of crucial dis-

cussions between national union leaders and the shop

stewards. British Shipbuilders bad

sought written guarantees from Swan's workers and all others involved in the Polish contract

on full cooperation and normal working in order to meet the tough delivery provisions of the contract and avoid heavy

But the shop stewards had refused to provide the guarantees and lift the ban despite warnings from British Ship-

builders that the orders would

builders that the orders would be reallocated to other yards. In that event Swan Hunter, which is running out of work, would have issued redundancy notices to 700 workers After yesterday's talks on Tyneside, Mr Gavin Laird, national executive members of the Amalgamated Union of Kra

the Amalgamated Union of En-gineering Workers, said: "We have been in touch with Bri-tish Shipbuilders and we would not be putting this resolution

to the men tomorrow morning

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were it not that the position will be that the seven ships come to this part of the world."
The outfitting workers have been operating the overtime ban in support of demand for pay parity with boilermakers employed at the yard. This would involve a rise of more than £7 a week, and breach the Government's pay guidelines.
Last night a spokesman for British Shipbuilders said: "If the meeting decides to lift the

the meeting decides to lift the overtime ban and we get the written guarantees, then there is little doubt that these ships

cussions

porary factors rather than from a worsening in the underlying position.

When September and October are averaged the performance on both imports and exports seems little different from the previous six months at about \$10,000m and \$12,500m respectively.

So far this year the United States has been in deficit by \$22,400m compared with a deficit of \$4,010m in the first 10 months of last year. This spectacular deterioration has been the reason for the dollar's fall against major currencies in the past few months.

Latest figures show the United States trade gap running at an annual rate of \$27,000m. This is in line with recent forecasts both from the American Administra tion and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris. An expected surplus on invisible trade should make the current account deficit

about \$10,000m smaller.
The size of the gap is due to huge

yesterday. She said that the widening of the deficit in October stemmed from remporary factors rather than from a worsening in the underlying position.

Increases in oil imports, and the relatively weak demand for American exports. The latter in turn reflects the much faster ingowth in America than in the rest of the growth in America than in the rest of the latter in the rest of the latter in the rest of the latter in the rest of the growth in America than in the rest of the latter in the relatively weak demand for American exports. The latter in the relatively weak demand for American exports.

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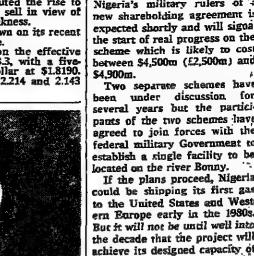
Last month's figures were helped by a drop of 3.9 per cent in oil imports. The dollar's fall so far this year has been concentrated against the strong Japanese, German, Swiss and British currencies. In effective terms the rate is scarcely changed from the level of a year ago, and

changed from the level of a year ago, and only about 2½ per cent down on its best level of this year.

Gold: The price of gold jumped by \$3.25 an ounce in London yesterday to close at \$161.625. Dealers attributed the rise to a general unwillingness to sell in view of the dollars continued weakness.

The price is still well down on its recent highs of \$167-\$168 an ounce.
Sterling closed up 0.1 on the effective exchange rate index at 63.3, with a five-point gain against the dollar at \$1.8190. The dollar closed at DM 2.214 and 2.143

Swiss francs.



But it will not be until well into the decade that the project will achieve its designed capacity of 1.600 million cu it of gas daily. Last year the Nigerian government, through its state oil company, reached a new shareholders' arrangement with Shell and BP for the Shell BP LNG plant, but little further progress was made as discussions continued on the rival project involving Phillips, Agin of Italy, and Blf, the French oil company.

company.

Both projects were included in the country's third national development plan but the Nigerian government, which is having to revise priorities in the light of falling oil revenues and balance of payments problems—appears to have persuaded the Phillips consortium to joint forces in a single veri to join forces in a single ven-ture. This will result in con-siderable savings on the contruction of roads and other

ment will give Nigeria a 60 per cent stake through its state oil company. Shell and BP will each take a 10 per cent interest, with Phillips and Agip accounting for a further 15 per cent, and Elf taking 5 per cent Representatives of the con-

million and 600 million cu ft a day. Agreements for the of gas have not yet been signed but the pertners are believed to have received prehiminary

Mr Benn said concern was expressed at the day-long meetnumber of customers.

Mr Frank Chapple (left), general secretary of the electricians' union, Mr Benn, and Sir Denis Rooke, chairman of the British Gas Corporation, at yesterday's meeting

### Iran supports two-year price freeze by Opec

By Roger Vielvaye

Iran has again sale it will support a further freeze on oil prices when the 13 ministers from the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries meet in Venezuela next month to fix prices for 1978.

After the Shah's Washington statement that Iran would back moves for an extension of the price freeze, Mr Jamschild Amouzegar, his Prime Minister, told a Knwairi newspaper yesterday that he would support a wo year freeze.

Iran was once among the leading advocates of higher oilprices but their move into the moderate camp should ensure tional price moderate within Opec, should have little difficulty in imposing an extension of 1977 prices into 1978, even against the will of the other

Mr Amousegar said that a. price rise could adversely affect the balance of payments in developing countries and would not be advisable during a serious glut of oil throughout the world, which was forcing some Opec members to sell trude at below agreed levels. He did not name these countries.

Although Iran and Saudi Arabia make a formidable partnership around the Opec con-ference table, they can expect some opposition from many of the other members, sithough Opec sources do not expect any of them to dissent publicly from an extension of the price freeze.

Meanwhile Abu Dhabi, Saudi Arabia's staunchest supporter on prices, is reported to have cot the 1978 ceiling on produc-tion by 16.4 per cent, according to a Middle East Economic Sur-

North Sea costs up! The cost of extracting crue oil from the North Sea is still rising steeply according to Dr Jack Birks, rechnical director of BP Trading. He estimated yesterday that a company contemplating the commercial exploitation of a 100,000 barrels-a-day field next year would need to invest £100,6000 for each of these After addressing a North Sea

After addressing a North Sea workshop organized by the Off-shore Centre, Dr Birks said he was not referring specifically to BP's Magnus field which is a 100,000 barrels-a-day proposition and which is expected to get the development go-ahead for the development gramma from the BP board next year. However, using Dr Birks' formula, Magnus would cost about £1,000m to develop— almost the same price as BP's 500,000 barrels-o-day Forties

#### **Energy panel** favours AGR development As the Cabinet prepares for

a series of discussions on the choice of Britain's next nuclear reactor system, the newly formed Energy Commission has come out strongly in favour of the British designed Advanced Ges Cooled Reactors (AGRs).

After presiding over the in-augural meeting of the Commission yesterday, Mr Wedg-wood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy said there was no doubt about the message from the Commission on nuclear

The Cabinet will have to decide whether to sanction a new programme of AGRs as advocated by Mr Benn, the Electricity Council, the TUC and now the Energy Commis-sion, or hedge their bets and authorize joint development of the AGR and the Americanpressurized water reactors (PWRs), as suggested by the Central Electricity Generating Board. A decision is expected before Christmas.

ing of the Commission that development of both systems might stretch resources too thinly and affect the British industry's ability to continue research into the fast breeder After minor amendments, Mr Benn is expected to publish policy documents as a green paper early in the New Year.

### Rivals unite for \$5,000m plant deal

construction of a large liquefied natural gas plant in partnership with five foreign oil companies. The gas will be for A forma: announcement by

Nigeria's military rulers of a new shareholding agreement is expected shortly and will signal the start of real progress on the scheme which is likely to cost between \$4,500m (£2,500m) and

Two separate schemes have been under discussion for several years but the participants of the two schemes have agreed to join forces with the federal military Government to establish a single facility to be located on the river Bonny. If the plans proceed, Nigeria

to the United States and Western Europe early in the 1980s.

facilities. The new shareholding agree

panies recently completed a tour of possible locations and industry sources indicated that pre-qualification tenders could be sought within the next three months enabling construction to start early in 1979.

Initial gas throughput of the confirmation of interest from a

The project will eventually carriers each costing about \$150m. Competition for the contracts will be keen, Sweden has already expressed interest in building some of the ships and buying gas from the plant Peter Hill

### Crown Agents report for MPs on Thursday

The report by a departmental committee of inquiry, led by udge Edmund Fay, into the reumstances which led to the frawn Agents for Overseas Adinistrations requesting finan-ial assistance from the Governcut, will be placed before the

ay. At the same time, the Govnment is proposing to publish version of a previously confi-ential report on the Agents tieus functions and financial aperations, prepared in 1972 by a committee under the chairmanhip of Sir Matthew Stevenin view of the sensitive

nature of these two reports, Crown Agents, which will shed light on how £400m of risks. the Crown Agents organization A special realization account, became insolvent and at one which has helped in the rescue

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stage faced liabilities of up to £400m, the Government is ex-pected to make a special statement to MPs and there may be a White Paper about the Crown Agents' future in the light of the Fay report's findings.

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Yesterday there were indications that the Fay report will
disclose names in charting the
story of the Agents' financial
disaster and commenting upon
the responsibilities of Wintehall departments and ministers.

the following year there had to be an emergency Moneylenders Act covering the unincorporated Crown Agents, then exposed to

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The Crown Agents were baled out by an £85m grant and a Bank of England standby facility in December 1974 and

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2p to 30p 6p to 79p 3p to 43p 41p to 49p

whose lizbilities have been transferred to the Ministry of

In April 1976, the present Government published a White Paper on the Future of the Crown Agents, outlining its provisional ideas for creating a new structure, with accountability to Parliament. However, the proposals were made "subject to any modifications which may be desirable when the findings of the Fay com-mittee become available.". A Government statement on

Thursday will comment on the Fay findings and indicate its further ideas for reforms of the

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of the historic business, is presently in deficit by £197m. With government financial support beyond the original £85m big liabilities face a subsidiary, grant. This will be intended to maintain the confidence of a subsidiary around the world,

More tricy is the question of providing an opportunity for anyone named in the Fay report to answer any allegations or comments. A judicial Tribunal may be necessary since government departments, former ministers, the Bank of England and former Crown Agents and officers are con-cerned. Drafting the terms of reference can be no easy task. The powers of a Tribunal under the 1921 Tribunal of Enquiries Act were used to inquire into particular aspects of the crash of the Vehicle and General

#### Insurance Company. Keyser Ullmann sues stern group chief for £1.5m

Mr William Stern, former property group chief, was sued for nearly £1,500,000 by Keyser Ullmann, in the High Court yesterday.

The claim by Ullmann against Mr Stern, whose group of companies crashed in 1974 with the collapse of the property boom, arises out of a personal guarantee given on June 14, 1973, for cash due or owing by one of his companies. Magnum Hatel his companies, Magnum Hotel (Manchester) Ltd.

Mr Lionel Swift; QC, for Ull-mann, told Mr Jusice Talbot that Mr Stern, disputed the claim on the basis that it was wenforcveable against him.

"We say that that is not right", consel commented.

The hearing continues today.

EEC steel orders up Orders for steel products in

#### Kuhn Loeb in American banking merger

Lehman Brothers Inc and Kuhn Loeb and Co, two old-line United States investment banking firms, announced in London yesterday that they had agreed in principle to a merger. Ownership of the two firms will be vested in a holding company with operations conducted under the name of Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb Inc. But international operations of the combined firm will be con-ducted under the name of Kuhn Loeb Lehman Brothers Interna-

man and president of Lehman Brothers, and Mr John M. Schiff, chairman of Kuhn Loeb, said in a joint statement: "On both sides we consider this not simply as a merger of two fine names, but as a marri-age of two profitable firms that complement one another.

Mr Peter G. Peterson, chair-

expected to be completed by December 16, Mr Peterson will the combined firm.

Mr John Schiff will be honorary chairman of the board of the combined firm, and Mr David Schiff will be a member of the board.

Under the merger, which is

#### Eurosterling issue by Fisons

Two new. Eurosterling bond issues were announced yester-day, one for £10m by Fisons, the fertilizer, pharmaceutical and agrochemical group, and the other, for £25m, by the European Investment Bank.

The Fisons issue, the first in Eurosterking by a British industrial group, will be a 10-year note, the indicated corponents 10 per cont Proceeds with being 10 per cent. Proceeds will be put towards reducing short-term indebtedness. The EIB issue is a 15-year

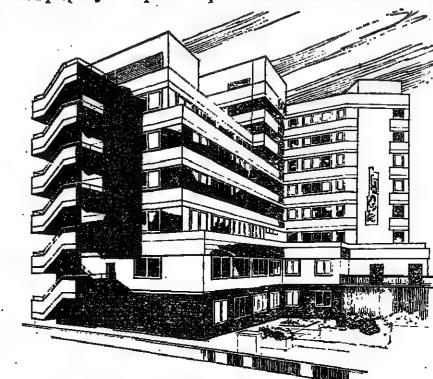
stock with an indicated coupon of 9} per cent. There will be a purchase fund operating on a quarterly basis for the first 10

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Gold rose \$3.25 an ounce to \$161.625.

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September at European Community steelmakers totalled 7,249,000 metric tonnes, up 18.4 per cent from August but 2.2 per cent below September, 1976, according to figures from Eurostat. the Community Eurostat, the Statistics Office.

### Resistance by shopfloor undermines foundry aid

By Charlet Webb Mr Geffaghan has been warned that the Government's tsom grant aid scheme to modernize the iron foundry industry is being undermined by shop floor opposition to new meetings of sorking in the reequipped foundries.

This opposition is being maintained in the face of yet more foundry closures. Latest returns from the council of the Iron Foundries Associations (CFA) shows that 30 more have closed since the aid scheme was introduced in August, 1975, and recently doubled from

Mr John Pearce, chamman of the CFA and a member of the Ferrous Foundries' little Neddy, said yesterday that he had personally told Mr Callaghan there was an urgent between union leaders serving on the little Neddy and their members on the shop floor.

To members on the shop floor.

In reply, the Prime Minister had said management and unious were partly to blame because they were slow in implementing planning agree-ments with the Government. Mr Pearce, whose own con-

fird of the way through a F50m modernization pro-ramme, comments on this new in the current issue of his works newspaper Pivot.

"For some reason the indus trial strategy does not seem to have been understood at factory floor level. In order to get the most out of investment, changes had to be made. No one likes change, and when ir came to making them in manning and flexibility, operators of new plant and equipment—many who had previously agreed after full consultation—refused. full consultation—refused to work the new plant."

Appealing for more coopera-Appearing for more coopera-tion from workers, Mr Pearce went on: "It cannot be too clearly understood how very serious is the present fall in demand for iron castings

Geneva, Nov 28

No early let-up in current protectionist pressures is foreseen in a Gatt study published today. "The malaise seems to

have its roots in a number of structural weaknesses and mel-

adjustments of much earlier

origin , it says.

In the 1960s the growth of real wages overtook that of productivity in most industrial countries. Thus trends in the

growth and composition of the

labour force in industrial coun-tries "make it unavoidable that

From Alan McGregor

### Transport and distribution misuse | Axle dispute costing exporters £1,000m a year

Export inefficiences and delays are costing British industry
£1,000m a year compared with
France, Germany, and Holland, of £500m direct costs arising
a study by the National Economic Development Office reveals mic Development Office revials.

It urges a big national effort a further £500m from wasted by governments and industry to assets, manpower, and lost

functions, and Britain's manu- and ro-ro traffic through Dover

upgrade the transport and dis- sales.

tribution sector from its present. These costs, which are lowly place in board and mains severely damaging industry, genial thinking to one in line arise not from inefficiencies in gerial thinking to one in line with the fact that it absorbes 8 Britain's transport system which to 12 per cent of the delivered is at least as good as other cost of manufactured goods countries, but from industry's abroad.

Introducing its report at a Jun Fetherston, chairmen of the to 12 per cent of the delivered cost of manufactured goods London press conference yester-day Lord Hayter, the little the country's biggest freight Neddy chairman, declared that Neddy chairman, declared that Exports to Europe had rism many United Kingdom companies did not even know who ies did not even know who by 400 per cent since the Export looked after their transport to Europe conference in 1966

The man taking the decisions even in major United Kingdom concerns was often one with virtually no status, little profissional training, and few career prospects. Nor was industry prepared to let its senior people participate in the vari-ous national bodies concerned with transport and distribution.

The report—Trading with Europe: Through Transport and the Total Export Concept urges 2 major drive by govern-ment, industry, and trade associations to raise the importance and equality of distribu-

future. It was their second chance, he said,

### 'Last chance' Brussels talks on textile

Brussels Nov 28

The European Commission today moved into the final phase of its negotiations with more than 30 textile exporters in Asia, Latin America, Africa and Europe.

With the deadline for conclu-

With the deadline for conclusion of the negotiations only two days off, the Community has still to reach agreement with four of the biggest textile suppliers. Hongkong, India, South Korea and Brazil.

Although the European Commission is still publicly committed to completing the negotiations by November 30, it is clear that the most to be hoped for is an understanding with the major suppliers, and even that looks increasingly difficult.

The Commission's intention is to hold imports of low-cost next year to a level of about 1.1 million tonnes.

This implies an average

ennual growth rate of about 6 per cent against rates of up to 22 per cent in recent years. But much lower growth rates are being sought for sensitive

Gatt study sees growth of protectionism

In addition, rigidity of wage differentials in a country increases the vulnerability of declining industries to foreign competition and also hampers

dynamic industries in attract-ing the skilled labour needed

hurst, Nicoles Marian and Jan Tumlir, develops the argument

that tariff protection-provided

it is not increased over time-is less damaging to economic

or expansion. The study, by Richard Black-

warning to Redpath yard By Ronald Faux.

A warming that the oil platform yard of Redpath Dorman Long (North Sea) at Methil in Fife had been given a last chance to prove itself was sounded yesterday during a visit by Dr Dickson Mabon, Minister of State at the Department of Energy.

Dr Mabon made it clear that the Government and the oil

It was hoped that by November 30 some 900,000 tonnes of textile imports would be covered by quota arrangements under blaterally-negotiated "reasonable departures" from the provisions of the Multi-Fibre Arrangement (MFA) of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Tariffs and Trade.

Renewal of the MFA for Dr Mabon made it clear that the Government and the oil industry would be watching the performance of the yard closely. The expectation was that DRL was back in business and competing in an international market.

Mr David Waterstone, chairman of DRL added that no one was complacent about the future. It was their second

another four years was agreed in principle earlier this year. In principle earlier this year.

Whether the EEC will feel
able to sign the protocol renewing the MFA will depend
on the current negotiations,
whose outcome will be
examined by foreign ministers
at their meeting in Brussels on
December 19 and 20. If the negotiations break

down or the results are con-sidered madequate they could decide to take undateral measures to curb textile imports from January 1, even though there are fears that this could provoke a general trade war. Contingency plans for unilateral action have already been drawn up. Business letters, page 19

The study concludes that economic stability demands speedy adjustment to con-

standy changing conditions:
"Non-adjustment accumulates,
maisdiustments grow, until a
correction is enforced by a
more or less severe breakdown,

the repercussions of which often spread far beyond the particular industry,

### threatens British truck output A four-month dispute at Earon Axles, Aycliffe, co

Ducham, is preventing British commercial vehicle manufacturers from cashing in on the long-awaited improvement in truck demand which is now under wav.

Eaton is part of the Ameri-can-owned Eaton Corporation and is this country's leading heavy axle manufacturer. So serious is the threat to truck production that some of Eaton's biggest customers are switching to other suppliers, including Rockwell (also American owned) and Guest Keen & Nettlefolds.

To keep these losses to a minimum Eaton is believed to be importing limited supplies of axles from its own factories in Spain and America.

#### 8 nc of world shipping tonnage still idle

Idle world shipping rose for the sixth successive month to reach 48 million tons or eight per cent of the world merchant per cent of the world merchant fleet at end-October, the General Council of British Shipping said today. This figure compares with a high point of 55 million tons in March last year, and a low point since of 32 million tons

point since of S. minon tons
in April this year. It comprises
342 tankers and 309 dry cargo
ships. The United Kingdom
figure fell slightly from
2,775,000 to 2,757,000 tons
representing 5 per cent of Britain's merchant fleet. A year ago more than 3 million tons of United Kingdom shipritain's merchant fleet.

#### **Building exports record**

fature. It was their second chance, he said.

The yard at Methil was put on a care and maintenance basss earlier this year through lack of orders. Yesterday work began on RDL's share of the contract to build the basic structure for the Teraco Tartan platform, which is to be delivered to Union d'Emerprise Industrielle (UIE) of Cherbourg for complesion. The contract is worth film to the yard, and will give work for one year to 450 men. The company said new working agreements at the yard had been reached which would largely eliminate the sort of demarcation dispute which had in the past been a problem. "We are starting off again with an intent from everyone employed hear to deliver the goods," a company official said. Texaco was relying heavily on the British and French companies completing their parts of the confirct by May 1, 1979.

Mr Waterstone said made quate market development and the affects of some of the failures at Methil had led to the works being put in mothballs and many of the men declared redundant. Record exports of building materials and components were forecast by Mr Ernest Armstrong, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment, when he visited British exhibitors at the 11th International Building Exhibition in Paris yesterday. He said that £485m worth of exports had been recorded during the first half of this year, against total exports of £801m last year and £555m in 1975.

Tokyo imports offer

Japan is expected to tell the Suropean Community this week that it is prepared to cut import duty on goods such as whisky, brandy, chocolate and biscuits to help redress the balance of trade, government sources said yesterday. Officials from Japan and the EEC will meet in Brussels on Thursday and Friday to discuss ways of reducing the EEC's deficit.

Leyland strikers back

Production at Leyland's Longpridate plant returned to normal yesterday after 70 vehicle testers had walked out last weak demanding reinstatement week demanding reinstatement of a night shift worker sacked for punching a worker he thought was having an affair with his wife. The man was back on unpeid suspension while the management reviewed his case. The dispute cost more than £1.5m in lost production.

#### Hongkong, and not give in to the unilateral pressure of pro-(i) The unilareral decision of tectionist interests. I write on behalf of the large EEC representatives to break numbers of workers and their families whose livelihood is off negotiations shows a total disregard for this territory where 50 per cent of all industrial workers are in the textile industry. (ii) The countries of the EEC threatened. It would be a great pity if the EEC, from which we have had great hopes, should turn out to be another form of old-

at our expense.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(iv) EEC representatives have

We call upon the Govern-

so far refused to discuss pro-

were able to benefit for cenfashioned colonialism. turies from free trade which, Yours sincerely, as colonial powers, they were able to impose on others. Now, T GILBERT BAKER, Bishop of Hongkong and Macao, when other countries are ready to share in free trade, the EEC Bishop's House, Hongkong. wants to change the rules. Hongkong.

(iii) The EEC intends to cut November 22.

### The best links between university and industry

EEC's 'bullying tactics'

over textiles show total

disregard for Hongkong

Sir, I think people in the United Kingdom and in Europe

should know of the strong feel-

ings in all sections of the com-munity in Hongkong at the apparently bullying tactics of the EEC negotiators on textile

quatas. Among many expressions of opinion the Hongkong Christian Industrial Committee

has sent an open letter to gov-

ernments and churches in Europe which makes the follow-

ing points:

Sir, Mr McAfee's letter today (November 23) overlooks perhaps the single most important factor governing university/industry relations. The behaviour of academic staff can be explained as a perfectly rational reward system.

On appointment (at ever younger ages, as has already been said) the main criterion is proved or potential research capability. Candidates from industry, especially those from the manufacturing areas, are at a considerable disadvantage here. For the first three years after

appointment, the new lecturer is on probation and he quickly learns that security of tenure is dependent upon his ability to demonstrate further his prowess at research. As anyone who has tried both will know, however, it is usually much quicker to achieve publishable results in purely academic work than in industrial research, if only because the latter involves a supply a calent a number of inevitable delays arising from the fact that the research is not totally within the control of the lecturer concerned. There is, therefore, a strong incentive to pur off starting industrially related research until after probation has been safely passed. By now, however, attitudes will have hardened, and our ambi-

tious lecturer will have begun to realize that industrially oriented research carries no additional benefit for the next stage either (senior lecturer/ reader) nor even for that final, crucial reward, the professorial chair.

Industrially oriented research in universities is organization-ally more difficult to arrange. slower to complete and is usually published in less prestigious journals; it will, therefore, continue to be the least favoured route to academic promotion in engineering departments. For this situation to change, it would be necessary for industrially-based research

to be rated more highly than the academic variety. This can only be achieved in these departments if industrial representatives are brought into the decision-making process at the crucial stages of first appointment, probation and promotion to senior lecturer and especially to professor. It should be added that the

introduction of boards of studies, suitably stiffened with industrial representatives, provides e still more effective method of bringing engineering teachers into contact with industrial reality, while at the same time demonstrating to industry the constraints of the academic world. Experience in our own board studies shows that such industrial members form the best possible links between a university and indi-vidual companies. Yours faithfully, A. E. B. PRESLAND,

Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering Science and Industrial Management, School of Engineering Science and Industrial Management, University of Liverpool, Ashton Building, PO Box 147. Liverpool L69 3BX November 23.

### Commercial potential of canals

From Commander E. Mack, RV From the Bishop of Hongkong and Macao quotas held by Hongkong and redistribute them to less developed countries. We reject the EEC's way of doing charity Sir. I feel that there are marpeople who would support the Chairman of the National Waterways Transport Associa-tion (November 22) in his view that waterways are do novaluable arm of our transport posals put forward by Hongsystem. It is the most efficient kong and rejected concessions and economical (about one fifth of the fuel per tonne, mile compared with road transports ment of the United Kingdom to assume its special responsibility for the 4.3 million people of method.

As a result of certain pressures, our huge investment in motorways and the way we allow heavy iorries to travel without paying their full road provision and maintenance costs (see the Government's Consultation Document on Transport Policy), not to men-tion environmental costs, we continue to use road transport

as much as we can. Perhaps we should learn from our EEC partners on the Con-tinent, where there is a huge and expanding canal system. It is surely to this that we should be connected so that our goods can be loaded and unloaded as near to our factories as possible and the proper use made of our big canals and estuaries where 300 tonne (and larger) barges can operate. There is much idle capacity for this sized traffic up the Trent to Nottingham, to Leeds and South Yorkshire, up the Seven, the Thames, the Weaver and

others.

If the Government ullow funds to enlarge the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Navigation, 750 tonne barges will be able to reach Mexbarough (only 10 miles from Shelfreid). Efficient distribution must result in lower charges for our imports and exports and hance more trade and employment Yours faithfully,

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#### Engineering designers

From the Chief Officer, the Technician Education Council Sir, Those of your readers who have been following the recent correspondence about engineering design may be interested in know that the Technician Education Council is setting up a working party to study the educational needs of engineering designers at technician lovel This committee will include members drawn from the Design Council, the profes-sional institutions in engineering and the engineering em-ployers as well as TEC itself. its work may well lead to the development of a TEC higher award in engineering design. Yours faithfully. F. G. HANROTT, Chief Officer, Technician Education Council, 76 Portland Place, London WIN 4AA. November 23.

## A good belting in the desert helps us grow even more

employment in some of their industries will undergo absolute decline. It assets that coping with the new protectionism calls for government policies directed towards reducing economic.



Above: Part of the manufacturing process of steel cord reinforced conveyor

Right: Heavy-duty BTR belting at a copper mine in the Arizona desert.

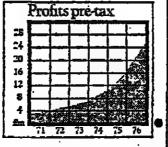


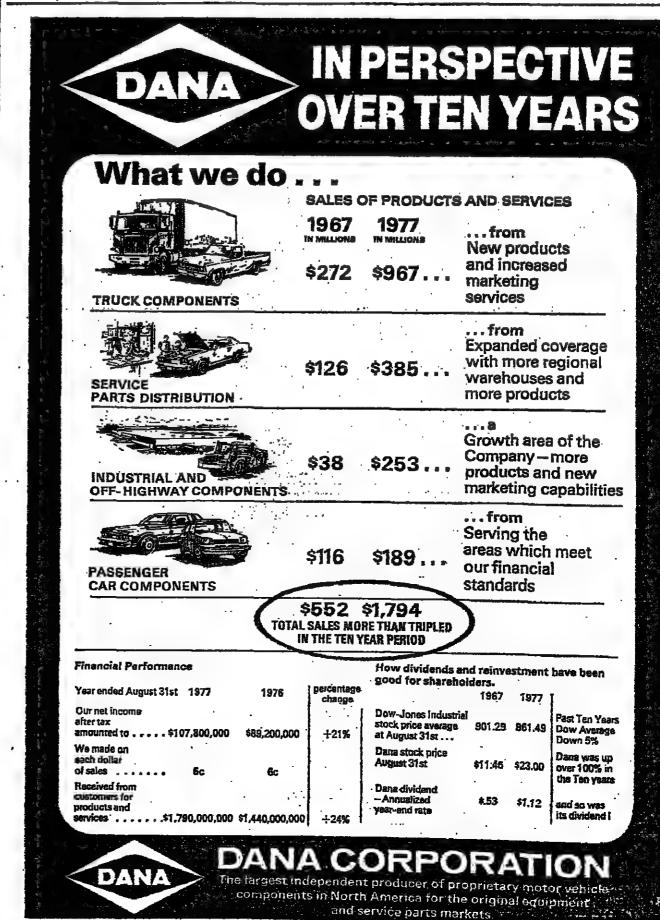
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### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

### Implications of the Hattersley review

Mr. Hattersley's review of competition policy which is to be conducted by senior civil servants and economists with a brief to produce a first report by the spring could herald a far more actively interventionist agency than exists at the moment. A combination of the present Prices and Monopolies and Mergers Commissions, which is consisted, possibly including the Office of Fair Trading would create a body with wide powers to influence the structure and performance of industry and commerce.

The implications for the financial community are profound. The review has its background both in the recent growth of conglomerate mergers—bids by Lonrho, Trafalgar House and S. Pearson spring to mind. Moreover, academic research which would suggest that even the promoters of mergers were dissatisfied with the results and up to 50 per cent of merged companies would have been more profitable on their

Unless there have been clear monopoly implications, most mergers have until now been decided in the market place. The review group will consider whether this should change. A central theme for discussion will be whether the current criteria for allowing a merger through, that it does not damage the national interest, should be replaced by the tougher sanction that it should be of benefit. If that were to happen, the role of the shareholder would be yet further diminished.

The strength of the share price of a company, theoretically at least, is the ultimate check to foolish bids and unpopular mergers. Practically, the test for accepting an offer is always whether income (and to a lesser extent, capital growth) would be greater by agreeing to the hid than by staying with the victim. Judgment is open to criticism, but a change in the system threatens one of the tew real remaining powers of

It may well be, however, that the concentration of ownership of British industry, which is greater than our competitors, has inhibited growth

But the conditions have opened the way for a major interventionist agency which is bound to act closely with the National Enterprise Board and could have immense powers to affect the profitability of companies and could even order conglomerates to disinvest. Making an investment would become much

The recent reference of the Smith/Bisgood merger to the Monopolies Commission shows from another angle that there is less than satisfaction within official quarters that the financial community is the best judge even of its own affairs. The temptation for a new agency to involve itself more in the City

Any move that threatens the markets' role must be worrying to the City. As the Tate

RTZ's uranium maze

Judgment on an appeal by seven directors

against being forced to give evidence before an American court will be handed down by

The judgment will be one facet of a com-

lex series of litigation and investigation

into the marketing of uranium earlier in the decade. To certain extent it turns on the

most spectacular shorting operation in the history of commodities—Westinghouse

Electric Corporation went short 65 million

pounds of uranium it had contracted to

supply at an average price of \$9-\$10 a pound.

an impact in a multi-party action which is being heard in Virginia and in which West-

inghouse, the world's largest manufacturer of nuclear reactors is being sued by several

public utility (power) companies over fail-

cluding the chairman Sir Mark Turner, are

forced to testify on the existence and activi-

lies of a uranium producers' cartel, of which

RTZ is alleged to have been a member, the evidence taken in the Virginia Court hear-

ing could be used against RTZ and six

subsidiary companies which are being sued

Westinghouse in another action in Illinois. Potential damages being sought by

However, the ramifications have much wider implications. If RTZ executives, in-

ure to meet uranium delivery contracts.

The Law Lords ruling will initially have

and senior executives of Rio Tinto-Zinc ; as \$6,000m.

& Lyle/Manbré merger last year showed that merger and monopoly policy could be subservient to political expediency, the worries over the new review will be that

#### Funding in the Euromarket

Fisous yesterday became the first British industrial group to announce that it is to raise funds in the Eurosterling market. It is not going to be the last: the attractions of tapping this new source of funds are considerable.

First, of course, there is the worthwhile saving in debt servicing thanks to the lower cost of external sterling. Second, the Euromarket presents the borrower with lenders happy to commit funds on a medium term basis—a facility that may well be far more attractive to many companies than the traditional 20 year plus loan stock market in the United Kingdom,



Sir George Burton, chairman of Fisons.

Thirdly, the Euromarket tends to be iar less demanding of a company in terms of covenants, the "negative pledge" (protecting the lender vis-a-vis other creditors) often being the only real demand on a company of reasonable status.

Whether or not any British companies are contemplating using the market to finance large-scale overseas investment remains to be seen. It may well be too early to contemplate issues bigger than the proposed £25m issue by the European Investment Bank (also announced yesterday), though there was some speculation in the market yesterday that the size of this issue could be increased if the demand was there.

Certainly, the latest rise in domestic interest rates looks to have done nothing to upset the market, Eurosterling rates easing slightly yesterday and the ECSC issue tending firmer.

Westinghouse in this action could be as high

But there is also a United States Grand

Jury investigating the uranium industry for

legislation, while recently the Tennessee Valley Authority, which is one of the utili-ties now suing Westinghouse, has filed its own action against 13 manium producers,

Whatever the decision of the Law Lords, the Westinghouse saga still has far to run. RTZ faces the Illinois action (and now the TVA action as well) although it denies the

jurisdiction of the Court except in relation

to two subsidiaries and totally denies

liability. The last annual report stated that it was not considered any loss would result from the proceedings and that no provisions

French governments, may try to forbid RTZ

personnel from giving evidence to a United

have passed laws preventing their uranium

producing companies from handing over any information and in the House of Lords hear-

ing the Attorney General, Mr Sam Silkin,

has accused the United States of a " serious

excess of jurisdiction " in attempting to obtain evidence from foreign nationals.

had been made in the accounts.

including RTZ.

### Russian cars head for a mini revolution

have invented the motor car, it is now making up for lost time. Production this year will be approaching 1.4 million units, or four times as many as in 1970, and further expanas in 1970; and intered expan-sion, though admittedly not at the same rate, is envisaged in the next Five-Year Plan which begins in 1981.

Nearly half the output comes from the giant Togliant plant on the Volga river which makes the Lada, a Russian version of the Fiat 124. It is probably the

Following yest-day's.

article which examined the problems confronting American car makers, we look today at the development of the industry

biggest integrated car produc-tion complex in the world, making practically everything apart from tyres, glass, some electrics and a few mechanical

in Russia

electrics and a few mechanical components.

Toghazzi lies 600 miles east of Moscow and the arrival of the car industry has created a new city of 200,000 people on barren swamp land, as flat as far as the eye can see. The workers, recruited from all over the Soviet Union, earn on average 170 roubles (£127) a month, not a princely sum

more than they could have dreamed of only a few years

Many live in flats provided by the company in drab 12single morkers sleep two to a tiny room, share a cooker and-fringe with two colleagues, but

has come late in Ruisia, and even now there are barely five million cars on the roads compared with 14 million in Britain and more than 100 million in the United States.

Krushchev called the car a fond-smelking "armchair on wheels" and gave it little encouragement and the Moskvich factory, set up in 1930, took 37 years to make its first million vehicles.

million vehicles.

But two years after Krusichey's fell from power in 1964, an agreement was struck with Fiat to build the 124 model under licence and the Italians also provided the technical know-how for the establishment of the factory. It officially opened in 1970 and 28,500 cars were made in the first year. Now, a new Lada comes off the line every 20 seconds and total output this seconds and total output this year will be 680,000.

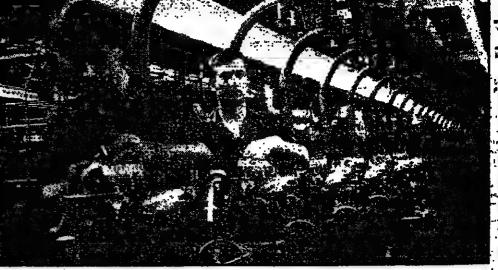
frioge with two colleagues, but pay only seven roubles (65.50) a month in rent. Their life is, very largely, their work.

The factory itself looks superficially like any otherafter all, the basic means of purning a car together first not changed since Henry Pordexcept that it is faratically clean (a Russian trait) and impresses by sheer size. The main assembly line, with three tracks and a fourth shortly to be added, is a mile long and cars are laid on to take you round it.

The age of mass motoring has come late in Russia, and

sussian creation.

Looking further ahead, the next five-year plan embraces production of a front-wheel drive "supermini" on the lines of the Ford Fiesta and Fiat 127. With a tailgate and one litré engine, it promises to be the most advanced car ever built in the Soviet Union. A design team is busy at work so that the car can be launched -probably at Togliatti—early



made on the outskirts of the Russian capital, enjoyed a brief

boom in Britain up to a couple of years ago but was withdrawn

by the importer, Satra Motors, as not being up to standard.

Bur Sarra has decided to keep the concession open and it

seems that a more modern Moskvich may be on the hori-zon. If a film shown to visitors

to the Moskvich plant is any guide, the future model could

look rather like the Saab 99— The future of the Zaporo-zhets, named after the town in the Ukraine where it is built, is uncertain. This is a car that has never been sold in Britain

though a few are exported to
Italy, Greece and Austria.

The Soviet car industry expects to export 350,000 cars this

year, about a quarter of the total. (Incidentally, Russia must be one of the few countries in the world that does not import cars.) The Eastern block coun-

tries are the main customers but the Lada enjoys steady sales

in Britain—nearly 13,000 this year—Finland, West Germany,

The Lada engine assembly line at the Togliatti plant.

Not only is the car of effect, an 11-year-old model Western design—though the and, even so, much more sophis-Russians have provided their ticated than the other Soviet own overhead camsheft engine volume cars, the Moskvich and and given it thicker metal and the Zaporozhets. The Moskvich, a. higher ground clearance— but much of the machinery that builds it has come from Britain, West Germany, France, Italy and the United States. It is to help pay for this equip-ment that the Lada is sold in

the West—at obviously unrealistic prices. Bur having exploited Fiat's experise, the Russians seem determined from now on to go their own way. The first indication of this is the Niva, a small four-wheel drive hatchback which has recently gone into production at Toglianti. Designed particularly for offroad motoring, and only a fifth of the national road net work is paved, it does use some Lada components but is basically a

> Belgium and Holland.
> Pricing policy is interesting,
> to say the least. On the Russian
> market the Lada costs between 5,500 and 7,500 roubles (£4,000

average Togliam worker. wonder that only 4,000 of the 100,000 workforce own a car. and there is no staff discount or credit scheme. Also, if a Russian wants a new car he has to wait 18 months to two years for it.

But if the car is sold for the car

western currency, entirely different rules apply. A British correspondent based in Moscow has just bought a new Lada: he. got it more or less immediately and paid only a quarter of the "Russian" price. In Britain," the Lada range is several hundred pounds cheaper than com: parable West European or Japanese cars. The clear implication is that the Russian motorist is being asked to sub-

sidize the purchase of much-needed pounds and marks. Despite the tremendous ex pansion of the last few years, it is as well to get the Russian car industry in perspective. It is not another Japan, nor is it likely to be for some years. For one thing, Russia does not have the roads and the service back-up to sustain a huge car population. But the example of Togliatti shows that events novel. crees, and the prospect of western markers being flooded by Soviet produced superminis at knock-down prices cannot be taken lightly.

Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent

#### Agents caught in the web of an EEC directive employee to which the agent

the Council of Ministers a agency?

draft directive on the hurmonization of the law relating answered in the affirmative, in the United Kingdom the Manu-

agens, such as commercial travellers or representatives.

The draft directive has been strongly criticized in the United Kingdom. The Law Commission, which was called in by the Department of Trade for assistance, concluded that "the directive's defects of sub-stance, presentation and draft-ing are such that it fails even to provide a basis for negotia-tion."

The House of Lords select committee report states that "are unconvinced that these inverterences are, as the commission contends, called for so me to prevent competi-

This criticism is justified.

The draft directive on commercial agents is over-embinious. Instead of restricting itself to a few provisions aimed at protecting selfemployed agents, the commission has are mpted to prescribe a rigidly drafted model contract of agency which is largely based on German law and obviously unsuitable for this

Moreover, the commission has overlooked; that the concept of agency is fundamentally different in English law, compared with continental law.

Nevertheless, the question arises whether an attempt should be made on the European level in harmonian some If the Law Lords rule against the RTZ the Government, which has come under pressure from the Australian, Canadian and pean level to harmonize some aspects of the law relating to States court. The Australians and Canadians conimercial agents. The answer depends on two considerations: is there in the United Kingdom a group of people who have a potentially weak agreement and require bargaining power and require protection, and does the estab-lishment of the EEC require

On December 17 last year the the harmonization of funda-EEC Commission submitted to mental aspects of the law of

factoriers. Agents. Association has said that there are 20,000 agents in this country and for a long time has demanded the

Now that we have at last recognized the importance of small business for our economy, it is time to take this claim seriously.

Further, agents are still employed internationally. British exporters use them in other EEC countries and do not carry on business there only in the form of wholly-owned subsidiaries, joint ventures or through independent, distributors.

of the ERC Commission that of the fact Commission that there exists a social interest-calling for bermonization of some aspects of agency law is thus correct. Moreover, some protective legislation exists in . most European countries, within and outside the REC.

within and outside the REC.

What, then, should the commission do? It should the withdraw its draft directive and start again. A new draft directive should be submitted which should have three-tricted defination of the agents intended to be covered; the protection of the agent's claim in case of insolvency of the in case of insolvency of the principal; and the regulation of a goodwill indemnity after termination of the contract of

agency.
In the latter two aspects the In the latter two aspects the position of the small agent as possible, to that of the employee. Such regulation would be in harmony with the reality of the situation. The small agent, although self-employed and normally

### Clive Schmitthoff

remunerated by commission, is, economically speaking, compar-eble with the employee, who normally is remunerated by way of salary.

If the commission achieves some degree of harmonization on these key issues, much will have been accomplished. Above all, the commission should desist from attempting to prescribe a model contract—the agency situation in the various trades is too different for that.

· The three topics which a new directive on egency should cover require further

explanation :
- The definition of "commercial agent" should be res-tricted to a self-employed intermediary who has continuing authority to negotiate and/or conclude contracts for the sale of manufactured goods in the name and for the account of the principel. That definition should be subject to two qualifications: first, member states should be at liberty also to impose a financial limit, member to work the property of the provide that the protermediary who has continuing mapose a financial limit, namely to provide that the protection of the directive shall apply only to agents whose annual numover does not exceed a carrain amount, say, 250,000.

Secondly, member states should be entitled to extend the protection of the directive to commercial agents other than those engaged in the sale of manufactured goods. That would enable France to extend the protection of the directive to VRP (voyageurs, representants, placiers) who are repre-sentants bénéficiaires du statut

legal as they are protected by the code du travail; and it would enable Germany to extend the protection to Han-delsvertreter, as provided by the German Lew of 1953. Such an arrangement would take account of the different

member states. In any event, part-time agents, such as housewives selling for a mail order house, should be order house, should be excluded from the protection of the directive. 2. On principle, agents fall-

ing under the directive should in the insolvency of the principa; be trated as if they were employees. That, indeed, is provided by article 22 of the present draft directive. It is a sound principle, but it is not

easy to carry out in practice.
In the United Kingdom,
under the Employment Protection Act 1975, the preferential claim of employees is for a sum not exceeding £800 and accrued during four months before the receiving order. The £800 limit appears to be appropriate for arrears of agent's commission, but it may be questionable whether the time limit of four months is appropriate. Moreover, in certain circum-

Moreover, in certain circumstances the employee can recover his claim from a government department which then takes the place of the employee in the insolvency of the employer, but a claim of an agent against the government department for arrears of commission would be ruled out completely.

Difficulties arise also with respect to the employee's claim for holiday remuneration, time

for holiday remuneration, time off and so on; all these are preferential claims of the

will never be entitled.

It follows that it is impossed. sible to equate the claim of the agent for preferential are trestment of arrears of com-mission with the employee's... claim. The new draft directive:
should allow the member
states considerable discretion
to adapt the principle to the
provisions of their own
national law.

namonal law.

3. The harmonization of the glaw relating to goodwill indem: 2 nity after termination of the contract of agency is the most in portant problem. Here, it would be desirable to provide

two rules. First, there should be no start tutory claim for goodwill ingo demnity if the contract was fact, a definite time, unless it is continued after its expirational Secondly, where the constact is? for an indefinite time or is of continued time contract; a statutory claim for goodwill play demairy should arise, provided that the agent has been active; for the principal for a certain.

time, for example, for two Years.
The amount of the statutory The amount of the statutory claim should be fixed by the ordinary courts if the partiest cannot agree; and the course when fixing the amount should take into consideration; the length of service of the agent the value of the goods will which the principal has acquired as the result of the agent's activities, the agent's average courings from the average earnings from the agency and other relevant cir-

cumstances.
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### Business Diary: Written in water? • Animal crackers

Can corruption be cured by self-denying ordinatices and international agreements or will the corrupt simply ignore these and go about their seedy business as before?

This question will be at the heart of the debate being held loday in Paris by the governing

coun il of the 54-notion Inter-national Chamber of Commerce the business version of the United Nations.
The council will have before it the second draft of a report

prepared by an international commission of eminent men which propses toucher govern-ment measures to fight bribery, a voluntary code of conduct for business which would ban bribes and kickbacks, and the etting up of an international Pinel to police the code.
This second draft is a much watreed down version of the Efter criticism from the French, the West Germans and

the Belgians. Several commission members -particularly its chairman ord Shawcross, a former British attorney general, Jean Rev. the Belgian who presided over the European Economic Commission from 1967 to 1970. and Sheik Yamani. Saudi Mebia's petroleum ministerhave been consistently strong acrocates of tough measures.

So have Zaki Mustafa. former attorney general of the Sudan who was reported to be Caremely onary at the way, in which the power of the musicing panel were severely curtiled in the second draft. and the Iranian banker Gasem Lheradiou.

Less easy to discern is pre-cisely wh on the commission and within the national com-

mittees of the ICC has been rallying the opposition. One important figure thought to be less than wholly enthusiastic is commission-member 76-years-old Jacques Georges-Picot, honorary president of the Campagnie Financière de Suez et de l'Union Parisienne-old nez Canal Company.

The French view seems to be tat you cannt cure corrupthat an international policing panel may be open to abuse with companies denouncing one another to it for reasons of malice.

How will today's vote go? The ICC council may well adopt the code but will remit the question of the policing parel for further consideration, a compromise that will not please Shawcross, Yamani, Mustafa, and Kheradjou.

The City is used to coping with bulls and bears, but elephants and donkeys are something also.

They and many assorted animals and birds arrive at Hearhrow Airport's animal quarantine station, run by the City Corporation for greater London and, in practice, for the rest of the country.

The new station, opened in February, has all the facilities needed to deal with a market that is increasingly important, not least since the menace of rabies threatens British shores. In its first six months of operation, however the station has lost £117,000, nor at all

what the money-conscious cur-poration had in mind. The Port and City of London Health Committee, chaired by Brigadier John Packard, have



than we do has been a terrible blow to my righteous indignation."

even considered closing the station but decided the station's national importance and the corporation's own statutory duties came first.

The brigadier wants to main-tain the station because of his knowledge of the horrors of rabies gained during military service in India. He istrying to get the govern-

ment to contribute towards run-ting costs and meanwhile has now asked the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for permission to reduce the charge for birds and beasts staying at their "hotel".

At present the minimum charge for an elephant is £60 for 24 hours. It is proposed to introduced a six-hour stay for £15, which could produce more custom, and the same criterion will apply to others. A donkey, for instance, could stay for £6, instead of £24 as before, while a medium-sized dog or a large

cat would cost £2.40 instead of \$9.60.

Today in London, lighting engineers will be discussing, among other things, how to measure laser power. Seventy years or so ago, the problem concerned the measurement of light emitted by gas mantles. Leading light at the conference, entitled The International

Lighting Scene, is the National Hlumination Committee, which arranged it to review research at the half-way point between the forums held every four years by the Commission Inter-nationale de l'Echirage (CIE). years by the Commission Invermationale de l'Eclairage (CIE).

The CIE came into being in
1913, was extinguished briefly
during the 1914-18 War and held
its first full session in 1924.
Here, according to its immediate past president Walter
Stevens, occurred probably its
most important single achievement—the establishment of a
curve of spectral luminous

Following the American withdrawol from the International
Labour Organization (ILO), the
Chinese have also decided to
pull out from this United
Nations agency, albeit "temporarily". This defection is not
likely to worry the ILO as much
since joining in 1971 the
Chinese have not paid any
subscriptions and owe the ILO
59.8m (about 55.4m).

efficiency.
"In effect this defines an average human eye and is the international basis for the measurement of light, without which there would be chaos and

Now, the priority is to find some adequate way to describe the quality of light as opposed to its mere quantity. Since the become increasingly important as people have realized the need o make more use of less light by improving its direction, for

instance.

The conference, which will be hear reports on a variety of lighting matters, including applications for stage and studio, for roads, down mines, up in the air and for sports.

Recording the latter lighting

Regarding the latter, lighting engineers are intrigued by the suggestion of Kerry Packer, the Australian sports impresario, that he might televise floodlit cricket. As the experts point out the technical problems are greatwhat with getting the light right

ensuring that the barsmen can They are now wondering if he knows something they doo't.

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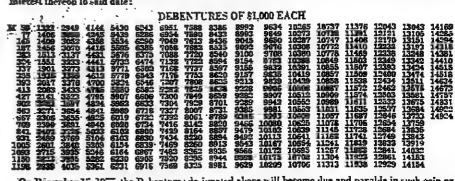
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On December 15, 1971, the Debentures designated above will become due and payable in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Said Debendures will be paid, upon presentation and surrender thereof with all coupons appertaining thereto maturing after the redemption date, at the option of the holder either (a) at the corporate trust office of Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 15 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10015; or (b) at the main offices of any of the following: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York in Brussels, Frankfurt am Main, London, Paris and Zurich: Bank Mees & Hope NV in Amsterdam: Banca Vonwiller & C. S.p.A. in Milan and Rome and Credit Industriel & Alsace et de Lorraine, S.A. in Lurembourg. Payments at the offices referred to in (b) above will be made by check drawn on a dollar account, or by transfer to a dollar account maintained by the payee with a bank in New York City.

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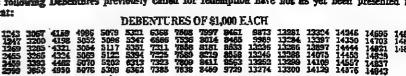
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NOTICE

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Dated: November 15, 1977

The following Debentures previously called for redemption have not as yet been presented for



### Why London dominates the art markets

When one thinks of the European art market one's first thought is of London, such is London's dominance in the world of art sales. This preeminence is above all due to the London auctioneers Sotheby's and Christie's.

These two alone had a turnover of some DM750m (£187.5m) in 1976-77, more than total sales in auctions, art fairs and galleries in West Germany.

We should not, however, forget that these figures for Sotheby's and Christie's also include substantial sums carned by both abroad, particularly Sotheby's From Sotheby's £122m we have to subtract £44.3m turnover in the United States. More than one fifth of the remaining £77.7m came from sales in Europe.

Major jewelry sales, for instance, are held in Geneva, because of the liberal import-export rules and for tax reasons. On November 10 Christie's disposed of over 24m Swiss francs' worth (£6m) of jewelry at four sales in Geneva. Even after these deductions, London

is still Europe's premier art market. This was not always the case. It was only after the Second World War that London toppled Paris from first place. Only two years ago Paris was hoping to regain the leading position. The reason was the introduction of a 10 per cent buyer's commission at Sotheby's and Christie's in 1975. Until then only the seller had had to pay a 10 per cent

The low costs were an important factor in London's leading role in the European art market, but after only half the season Souren Melikan, the influential art critic of the International Herald Trihune, declared that Paris's hopes were not being realized. This is because London rates, even after the introduction of the buyer's commission, are still reasonable.

Paris has, however, firmly established its second position: the gallery Hotel Drouot showed a turnover of 501m francs (£56.8m) last season, almost as much as the second largest London firm, Christie's, tits move to the more central rooms in the Gare d'Orsay was

Lloyds Bank

Interest Rates

Lloyds Bank Limited has increased its Base Rate

from 6% to 7% with effect from

Tuesday 29th November 1977.

The rate of interest on 7-day notice Deposit accounts and Savings Bank accounts is increased from 3% to 3½% p.a.

The change in Base Rate and Deposit account

interest will also be applied from the

same date by the United Kingdom branches of

Lloyds Bank International Limited

The National Bank of New Zealand Limited

and by

Lewis's Bank Limited

an important contributory factor.) Paris is the main centre for seventeenth and eighteenth-century furniture.

West Germany's art market is decen tralized, in contrast with England and France, where the art markets are localized in the capitals, London and Paris (as they were centred on Berlin in the days of the Third Reich). There however, a degree of concentration in Munish, but almost every major West German city has a large auctioneers, and there are some 20 of international reputation in the whole country.

While London and Paris handles all forms of art works, most West German firms are highly specialized, and these can achieve prices in their special fields that are quite comparable to those reached by the competition in London

and Paris.

The Cologne firm, Lempertz, for example, specializes in art of the Middle Ages, and the highest price for a Madonna of this period (DM 330,000) was recorded in their salerooms. Hauswedell and Nolte in Hamburg is famous for old books and graphic works; Neu-

meister in Munich is known for nineteenth-century paintings, and Stargards has a reputation for autographs that extends beyond West Germany. Ruef in Munich specializes in furniture, and Nagel in Stuttgart has built up a name

Turnover on the West German art marker is of the order of DM 500m a year, which puts it in third place in Europe behind France and the United Kingdom. Estimates of turnover in the art world are likely to he lower than the true figures because not all trans-actions are shown on the books.

It is for this reason particularly difficult to assess the Italian arr market with any degree of confidence, although it is concentrated in the two centres Milan and Florence. It has suffered visibly from the 35 per cent VAT, and in order to evade this burden transactions must go through the "grey market or 20 abroad, with the result that the official home market is declining steadily.

Armin Loewe



Mr Peter Williams, managing director of Amdahl (UK), with Mr Bill Brant, BOC Datasolve's London Central Datacentre manager (seated), after the installation at Sunbury.

### Datasolve installs first **Amdahl in Britain**

BOC Datasolve has installed the first Amdahl computer to delivered to the United Kingdom at its Sunbury data centre. Amdahl Corporation, California-based, has concentrated on highperformance large computer systems which use

IBM software.

The Sunbury system, a V/5 model, is the fifth Amdahl to be delivered in Europe, and is the 81st such installation worldwide. It will be used for BOC Darasolve bureau customers and as a test centre for the V/5 in Europe. Mr Peter V. Williams, a for-

### Computer news

mer IBM executive, has been appointed managing director of Amdahi (UK), Hounslow, Middlesex, and general manager of the company's northern Euro-

pean operations.
In his 17 years with IBM
United Kingdom, Mr Williams
held positions which included largesystems marketing mana-ger, director of industry systems, and product management manager responsible for the introduction of new products.

Sanders/IBM system

Pirst outcome of the product development agreement signed between IBM and Sanders

system
Known as the IBM 3250 enable graphs, plots, charts and drawings to be displayed and modified on a screen for design testing and analysis work.

testing and analysis work.

Developed by Sanders, the system will also be manufactured by the Nashua, New Hampshire company, under the direction of IBM United Kingdom laboratories at Hursley, Hampshire, and the IBM plant at Raleigh, North Carolina. The Hursley laboratories are responsible for the archivecture of the system design: empineering system design; engineering specifications; industrial design and product assurance

Changing emphasis

Increasing use of intelligent terminals in distributed processing work has been reflec-ted in an all-in service which has been introduced by Baric Computing Services, jointly owned by International Compu-

ters and Barclays Bank. Known as Datacare, the new service provides remore-batch processing on an on-line basis. Baric will provide the software and the intelligent terminals which will link the customers with the Baric computers.

Recommended by Baric is the ICL (ex-Singer) 1500 range of terminals. As well as the hard-

ware and software, finance can be provided through Barclays. Mr Peter Holland, Baric managing director, said: "I will forecast that in a very few years' time intelligent terminals will become almost as commonplace equipment in business systems as the typewriter."

New guides

Current

Two recently published books giving outlines of different aspects of contemporary computing are intended for smallcompany manage development

respectively.
The first is Computerization for the small business by Edward Cluff and Alan Simpson (published by Input Two-Nine in conjunction with the Data Processing Management Association at £9.95).

This is a layman's guide for directors and senior line man-Chairman says that although the year will not be as successful as 1976, group remains strong financially and confidence of the agers which sets out to guide the reader through the many problems involved in choosing, running and getting the best out of his computer system.

Microprocessors their development and application (Electrical Research Association, £39), the ERA brings up to date its detailed rechnical EXCHANGE THE EGRAPH stavey of microprocessor devices, a field which is advanc-

ing perhaps more rapidly than any other.

MASKEY SOUTHERNS Group has acquired Houthandel De Vries, an old-established tim-her merchants business based at Helmond in Holland.

### Thyssen plans a dividend

International

Despite four years of recession

FINANCIAL NEWS

From Peter Norman,

Thyssen, the West German

5 per cent to 11.7m tonnes in

the past business year, and that

its mass produced steel sector finished 1976-77 with much heavier losses than in 1975-76.

On the other hand, Thyssen's

special steel production, its investment goods and manufac-turing division and its trad-ing and service sectors made

Hoechst follows BASF Hoechst, the Frankfurt based

steel and engineering group, announced that it should be able to pay a dividend of DMS.50 per DMS.00 nominal share for the financial year to September 30. Thyssen paid DM7 for 1975-76. from 80 per cent in the spring and that 3,500 workers were on short time.

#### Hudson's Bay slips

At a time when Germany's steel industry is entering its fourth year of recession, the Toronto-Hudson's Eas nounces net earnings for the nine months ended October 31 of 58.5m or 60 cents per share, compared with \$8.6m or 62 cents per share. fact that Thyssen is planning to pay a dividend testifies to its decision some years ago to diversify away from its narrow Sales and revenue increased steel producing base.

The group disclosed that its crude steel production fell by

5.6 per cent to \$1,005.186,000 from \$951,817,000 for the same period in 1976.

Merchandising and natural resources earnings in the third quarter were improved over the comparable period last year. reflecting a continuation of the trend in the first six months. Earnings from real estate, however, continued to reflect a shortfall from the previous

profits.

The group reported that its supervisory board has approved new investments totalling DM930m for this year, most of which will go towards rationalising and modernising production facilities in West Germany. Although the group said the purpose of its long term investment plan was to secure jobs, it managed to trim its workforce by 3.7 per cent to 134,271 in the course of the 1976-77 business year. The trend of consumer spending in the third quarter was generally unchanged
The group plans to open a
further six stores in 1978

Gen Immobiliare plan Rome.—Generale kome.—Generale
hiliare is seeking approval from
creditor banks for a new plan
to salvage the group, involving
financial interests linked with Italcementi, Immobiliare said.

Creditor banks are expected to meet later this week to discuss the proposals, under which the group will ask for continued credit and funds to finance bids for contracts abroad, it was

chemical group, saw that its world wide pre-tax profits declined by 15.8 per cent to DM825m in the first nine months of this year. Sales advanced slightly to DM17,380m advanced slightly to DM17,380m reported.

The new agreement was reached late last week between Immobiliare's, managing director, Señor Arcangelo Belli and Rome construction and finance Parent company earnings before mx also fell to DM515m from DM636m on a reduced turnover of 7,150m compared with 7,240m. With 7,240m.
Hoechst is the third of the big three German chemical companies to publish figures for the first three quarters of this year. It experienced a sharper earnings fall than Bayer, but its results are roughly in line with

Rome construction and finance businessman, Señor Carlo Aloisi, who is backed by Pesenti, a spokesman said.

Under the plan, creditor banks will be asked to accept real estate assets to cover part of Immobiliare's existing debt, and to convert into shares a recent Lire 35.7 billion convertible bond issue, subscribed to by banks.

1.89 million tons in the quarter, up from 1.64 Crude steel production in the second Crude steel production in the second crude steel production tons, and in the production in the second crude steel production tons in the second crude steel production in the second crude s

Braun sales up 5 pc

earnings fall than Bayer, but its results are roughly in line with those published by BASF.

Hoechst said that the profit drop reflected singgish turnover trends, falling selling prices, growing pressure from imports on the home market and difficulties in export markets reflecting the steady rise of the Drutsche Mark on foreign exchange markets. Kronberg.—Sales of Braun Group, part of Gillette of the United States, rose 5 per cent in the year ended September 30 to a record high of DM812m, the group said. f the Drutsche warn areign exchange markets. Hoechst reported that at pre-utilisation had

DM9.14m for the 1975-76 year Braun said, thought that sales were strongly influenced by currency swings and foreign price inflation. Parent company sales rose 7 per cent to DM574m. The share of exports in total sales rose to 62 per cent in the year from 60 per

cent the year before.

The electrical household and consumer appliance manu-facturer said that while many European markets continued weak other foreign markets showed good growth. Sales of newer electrical products were especially successful.—AP-Dow

German bank payouts

Frankfurt.—Leading West German banks have had rela-tively good 1977 carnings, and in coming months should remain among the leading sheres subject to stock marker interest, analysis at Deutsche Giro-rentrale-Deutsche Konmunalbank (DGZ) said.

In their latest report they forecast that Deutsche Bank will have the best earnings result, but like Dresdner Bank will DMS 50 from DM9 with the tax credit at DM4.78.

Estel sales drop

Sales of Estel NV Hoesch-Hoogovens, the Dutch-Ger an join steel concern, fell by 4.3 per cent in the third quarter to F12,300m (about 2511m), posting a loss of F186.2m, in the first nine months, sales rose slightly to F16,900m from F16,800m in the similar period a year ago. Losses more than doubled in the first three quarters, however, to Fl261m, from Fl94m in the same 1976 period. Pig iron production was 1.89 million tons in the third quarter, up from 1.64 million tons in the second quarter. Crude steel production was 2.57 million tons, compared with 2.25 million tons. Rolled steel also rose to 2.24 million tons (consolidated) from 2.12

The central holding company of the Flick Group of West Ger-many, a diversified concern with activities in chemicals, paper and machinery, is being tranformed into a partnership with shares, the company appounces. Ownership and management, however, will remain essentially It gave no earnings figures but said that they are expected to show a rise. Last March, Braun reported a 13.4 per cent increase in net profits to the issue of shares.

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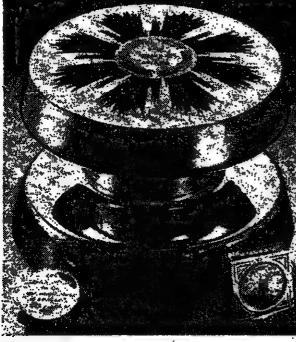
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### ENTER NOW FOR THE TIMES AWARDS FOR THE BESTADVERTISEMENT OF A COMPANY'S RESULTS **FOR 1977.**



The Times Awards for the best advertisement of a company's results have aroused such considerable interest since their introduction in 1974, that the competition is now in its fourth year during 1977.

The categories in which awards will be made are listed alongside.

The conditions of entry remain unchanged.

The Awards

The awards follow the 1976 pattern, namely: a) The Grand Prix, to be held for one year, awarded to the entrant whose advertisement is, in the opinion of the judges, the best submitted, irrespective of category. The Grand Prix consists of a silver trophy, specially designed

for The Times by Gordon Hodgson. b) First second and third prizes for category winners. Awards will be made both to the winning advertiser and agent.

The Panel of Judges

The Awards are made by an independent panel of judges, selected for their understanding of this specialised form of communication.

They judge entries in accordance with the following criteria. An advertisement of a company's results, whether the Chairman's statement is or is not included in full or in abridged form, should:

a) Attract the eye, by virtue of its design,

b) Be easy to read, by the use of skilful typography. c) Contain such information as prospective investors or professional advisers are likely to require, including details of

the business carried on by the company. d) Include, at the option of the advertiser, such illustrations, graphs, or diagrams as may be necessary to supplement

e) Leave the reader with the impression that the company concerned would be a good one to do business with, to work for, or to invest in.

Note: In the case of the categories Interim Results or Preliminary Figures, only criteria (a) to (d) will apply. Conditions of Entry

All entries are free, but must have appeared in the pages of The Times Business News during 1977. The following are the categories in which awards will

1. Annual Results. a) Colour or Black and White. Half page or larger,

b) Colour or Black and White Less than half page or emivalent. 2. Interim Results or Preliminary Figures.

Colour or Black and White (Ali sizes). The Judges will have the option of making at their absolute discretion, special awards for the following:

\*The best advertisement by an overseas company. \*The best advertisement smaller than 20cms x 4 cols.

\*The advertisement which makes the most significant contribution to new and imaginative thinking in financial advertising (without necessarily satisfying all the criteria for the Grand Prix or Category Winners.)

Entries will be accepted throughout the twelve mouth period January 1st - December 31st 1977, and should take the form of art pulls mounted on board, with a clear indication. of the category in which they are to be judged. Six unmounted art pulls should also be provided for the use of the Award Judges. They should be sent to:

Michael Mander, Deputy Chief Executive and Marketing Director,

The Times Awards,

The Times, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8EZ, Tel: 01-8371234.

Presentation of the awards will be made early in 1978. THE TIMES

BUSINESS NEWS

### Briefly

### Chamberlain Phipps goes 48 pc ahead

sent capacity utilisation had fallen to around 69 per cent

The improvement continues at Chamberlain Phipps with pre-tax profits rising from £835,000 to £1.2m for the six months to September 30.
Turnover of the group, which makes components and materials for footwear, clothing and automotive industries, rose by 16.2 per cent to £24.3m. Mar-gins in turn increased from 5 per cent to 6.1 per cent. Earnings a share come out at 3.07p compared with 1.70p. It pays an interim dividend of 1.36p

gross against 0.67p.
All divisions improved their profits, with the moulding and general industries showing a much better performance than this time last year when mouldings underwent reorganization.

Meanwhile Mr W. R. F.
Chamberlain, chairman is still optimistic for the year overall.

In June the group announced the property of the full that the f that pre-tax profits for the full year to March 31 had trebled from £693,000 to a record £2.1m.

STANDARD FIREWORKS
Standard Fireworks is making agreed bid for Barton Properties.
Terms are 19 Standard for every 50 Barton. Offer values Barton altares at 17.1p Barton as a whole £120,000.

LOAN FOR TUNISIA A consortium of international banws led by Bank of America International and Chase Manhattan is to provide a \$125m seven year Euroloun to the Republic of

Net square footage of selling space has increased since 1972 though policy is to open large stores in place of smaller ones. RYFON GROUP Company has paid £325,000 for premises, plant and equipment of Pennad. Plant will be operated by new subsidiary Myston Radiators (Wales) and will produce radi-

MID KENT WATER
Underwriting completed for an offer for sale of Em 7 per cent refermable preference stock 1982. Full details will be available

BAINBRIDGE ENG

GEO WHITEHOUSE Chairman says prospects are excouraging. Proposed that every five 10p shares by consolidated tuto one ordinary of 50p.

Extel reports 29 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to record £1.18m for half-year to September 30. Turnover 22 per cent up at £10.8m. Profits for second half expected to be higher than the similar half last year.

Current technology and trends are described (including details of 150 devices from 40 manufacturers) in relation to the needs of new users and

### Approaches for G Dew and Reed & Smith

Meanwhile Wintour Holdings board says that it has not had a chance to consider in detail the proposed offer announced on November 23 from A. A. Clark, but advises shareholders to take no action until they hear from the board.

Reed & Smith's shares were

suspended at 35p on news of the approach and the group's valuation is thus about £3m. This is the paper and packaging group in which the National Enterprise Board took a near 30 per cent stake this time last year. It also takes in the Har-ison Cowley Advertising agency, and reported a near doubled pre-tax profit of £449,000 for the six months to

At the G. Dew civil engineering group, the board emphasises that discussions are at an early stage and that other approaches in the pst have proved abortive. Its shares were not suspended rise 27p to 122p on the news.

#### Ship sale proceeds boost Stag's

In spite of reduced turnover, down from £3.25m to £2.85m, pre-tax profits of the North Shields-based Stag Line almost trebled in the year to October 31, rising from £218,000 to £636,000.

However, profits include a £441,000 surplus on the sale of Stag's ship, Glozinia and investment income of £124,000, compared with £169,000 last time. The result profits are also time. The year's profits are also after charging pre-delivery interest on loan capital of £105,000, against nil last year, as well as depreciation. The total gross payment is going up from 15.93p to 17.27p. As good as these profits are, they still have a long way to go to reach the record £1.01m achieved in 1973-74.

#### Margins warning by Edward Jones

Although reporting pre-tax profits for the first half of this year up from £30,500 to 50,500, the board of Edward Jones (Contractors) warn that difficult conditions still persist and that no substantial improvement can be expected for constant. ment can be expected for some Based on orders already in

be up on last time, although margins are likely to be affected by present conditions. Lennon Bros shares

iump on takeover

Shares in Rugby-based Len-non Bros soared yesterday on the news that it is being taken over in an agreed offer. The private company of Palmer and Harvey has agreed to make an noffer worth £1.5m for Lemon. Terms: £4.674 for each ordinary and 65p for each preference

The recent flurry of bid share. Shares in Lennon jumped soproaches continues with both by £3.83p to £4.60 on the news. Reed & Smith Holdings and G. But there is only a small market Dew signalling that talks are in the shares. Dealers say they on which could lead to an offer, were last dealt in May, 1976, were last dealt in May, 1976, at a price of 60p. The offers will be satisfied by loan stock of Palmer, which will not be listed on the stock exchange. There will be a cash alternative. The board of Lennon and members of their families have agreed to accept for 44 per cent or the ordinary.

#### or the ordinary. Ldn & Midland Ind sees bumper year

A substantial improvement over the £1.5m pre-tax record profit schieved by London & profit achieved by London & Midland Industrials for the whole of 1976-77 is predicted for this year by the board. The first six months has shown a 31 per cent rise to £851,000 on sales 27 per cent higher at £9m, so margins improved from 9.15 per cent to 9.4 per cent. The group's financial position has been strengthened by 50. has been strengthened by re-tentions of £277,000 for the half year, and also by the decision to release £552,000 to reserves

#### Clarke Chapman buys group next door

from provisions for stock relief at March 31 which will not be

Clarke Chapman has agreed to buy from Thomas W. Ward to buy from Thomas W. Ward the business of Thomas Smith & Sons (Rodley) which makes cranes and draglines. The group's works are next to the Clyde Booth Rodley Crane works of Clarke Chapman, which is one of the world's biggest crane makers. The purchase is in keeping with the Clarke Chapman policy of expanding its range and product base and will fall within the pattern of the enlarged Northern Engineering recently formed by the merger of Clarke Chapman and Reyrolic Parsops.

#### UB paying £1.5m for **BOC** pizza group

Britain's biggest pizza com-pany, King Harry Foods, which turns out more than 18m pizzas year, is being sold by BOC International, which started the company in the late 1960s for f1.5m. The buyer is United Biscuits, the McVitie's biscuits and KP nuts group which recently acquired the Wimpey franchise from J. Lyons. hand, the year's turnover should

King Harry accounts for around 60 per cent of the United Kingdom frozen pizza market where sales are made both under the "King Harry" brand name and also on a private label basis. Big customers include Marks and Spencer. Birds Eye and Findus.

LISTINGS CANCELLED

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### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

### No impetus at start of account

pay and disappointment at last

Dealers expect interim profits from Carless Capet to be up from £1.26m to £1.5m when the group reports on Friday. The naphtha price is currently very firm, giving a boost to the shipping side while North Sea block 21/2 is said to be progressing well. The shares trade at Cto. well. The shares trade at crp.

week's batch of company profits equities drifted through lack of

support.
Dealers also said that with beaters also said that with the institutions having to find u pro f900m over the next few days for the BP partly paid shares and the Treasury 10th per cent 1997 stock they expect little action for the time being.

TRANSVAAL CONSOLIDATED LAND AND EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND

Further to the interim report and Further to the intermining of the grand of the grand of the press on 28th October, 1977, the conversion rate applicable to payments in U.K. corrency of the above-mentioned dividend is £1=81.586510 equivalent to 40.9678749p per share. The effective rate of South African

Transfer Agents : P.O. Box 102. Charter House, Park Street,

THE IMPERIAL COLD STORAGE INTERIM DIVIDEND NO. 77 ON

Further to the notice of the interim dividend declared on the preference shares of this Company advertised to the Press on 27th October, 1977. the conversion rate applicable to payments in U.K. currency in respect of that dividend is £1=R1.880435 oguiralant to 3.45817p per share. The effective rate of South Africa. Ion-Resident Shereholders Tax is 13 575%.

Charlor Consolidated Services Limited, P.O., Bor 102.4 Chapter 156158.

It was back to reality at the sport of the new account after friday's short-lived rally.

Gilts edged ahead one quarter or so in early trading, but interest rates worries brought Friday's short-lived rally.

With little to counter the growing union antagonism to the 10 per cent guideline on falls of around one-eight on the

The FT Index closed 1.5 off at 464.5 having been 3.9 down at 2 pm its low point of the day.

A chart "sell" recommendation lowered Beecham to a close of 610 xd, while elsewhere among the leaders Glaxo lost 3p to \$80p, Pilkington 5p to 470p, Fisans 3p to 372p and BAT Industries 2p to 258p.

On terms from private in-terests Lennon Brothers were marked up from 77p to 460p, the shares having last been dealt in 18 months ago. Kode International, mentioned here last week as a takeover posi-International, mentioned here last week as a takeover possibility, received fresh speculative support to close 5p to the good at 92p while Centreway rose another 10p to 214p after last week's capitalisation plans.

Late news of bid talks hoisted G. Dew 27p to 122p while the terms from BICC lifted Cohen Brothers 4p to 51p. British Investment Trust was unmoved at 154p after news of the guaranteed cash price of 165p from Black Diamond Pensions.

On the papers pitch Reed Group held steady at 119p in

at the "Daily Mirror" while the shares of West Countrybased paper manufacturer Reed & Smith, where the National Enterprise Board has a 30 per cent stake, were suspended at 35p "pending the outcome of discussions."

discussions."

In breweries and distilleries Maithew Brown were unmoved at 98p after figures but continued speculative demand helped Glenilwet to rise 15p to 465p, Highland Distillers 5p to 115p and Tomatin 3p to 86p.

Adverse comment lowered Beiam 4p to 60p but the shares rallied to 62p, a ner loss of 2p on the day. Nervousness ahead of this week's figures hit Racal to the tune of 11p to 203p while Hestair was also down ou comment, by 8p to 107p.

But those going the other way

But those going the other way for the reverse reason were John Brown, 4p to 237p and Blackwood Hodge 3p to 79p.

Better profits lifted Stag Line 5p to 160p in the shipping sector where the speculative Hunting Gibson dropped 10p to 230p.

Two to make a belated response to last week's figures were J. Dykes, down 5p to 22p after the loss and dividend omission, and Pauls & Whites which gained

Pauls & Whites which gained 5p to 95p.

The best of properties was MEPC, up 5p to 109p ahead of figures this week. Base rate in-

to move being Lloyds which ended a couple of points ahead at 270p. The possible loss of polish orders lowered Swan Hunter a pency to 158p but another shipbuilder Yarrow was

Amalgamated Power Engineering shares have behaved like most others. They fell 8p last week and just 1p yesterday to 117p. Yet after making a one for three rights issue at 70p earlier this year it reported more than doubled interim profits last month, and mafire this fits last mopth; and profits this full year should go up from £3.39m to around £7m. From time to time hopefuls gossip about Babcack & Wilcox, Hawker Siddeley or Americans showing interest

Equity turnover on November 25 was £82.83m (16,111 bargains). According to Exchange Telegraph active stocks yesterday were Beecham, ICI, Racal, GEC, BP pertly paid, National Westminster Bank, Shell, BP, BAT Dfd, EMI, Marks & Spencer, Midland Bank, Unilever, Royal Insurance, Tecalemit, Siebens Off and Kode Isternational

#### Latest results

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1	J. H. Penner (F)		8.4(7.0)	14.16(11.57)	3.95(3.5)	_	6.7(6.0)	٠٠.
ı	· Rield Bros (1)	5.3(4.1)	0.28(8.14)	-(-)	<b>—(—)</b>		-(0.74)	
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### international factoring stake

National Westminster is strengthening its position in the international factoring business.

The bank announced yesterday that Credit Lyonnais had taken a 35 per cent stake in its French factoring subsidiary, Credit Factoring International

Credit Factoring International already has a slice of the French domestic and export factoring market,

Pactering a financial service for industry that broadly speak-ing looks after the sales accounting and credit management function, is growing rapidly albeit from small beginmings especially oversess.

**National** 

Bank

Nat West announces that

with effect from Tuesday,

its Base Rate is increased

29th November, 1977,

The basic Deposit and

Savings Account rates

will be increased from

3% to 4% per annum.

from 6% to 7½%

per annum.

Westminster

### NatWest steps up Reduced borrowings help Matthew Brown

By Alison Mitchell group Matthew Brown had some of the gloss knocked off ful-time figures by the indifferent summer. A half-time profits in-crease of 28 per cent was whitted down to around 19 per

the cash flow is good and the group will have cash in the current year.

An ongoing policy of pub rationalisation has seen the disposal of some overlapping sites and this contributed a further £77,000 compared with last year's £26,000.

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3 per cent, compared to a
4 previous £2.5m or rurrover up
5 from £15.7m to £17.3m. However at the trading level, the
6 profits increase is reduced to
7 per cent.
7 The additional boost has come
8 from a price increase in finance
1 charges and a larger profit on
1 Since then there has been no

Since then there has been no further rise though the chairman expects prices going up

since the and of the year, trading has shown an increase over the same period last year and he admits to being "quietly cheerful" about prospects.

### **Now Trust** & Agency being wooed

By Tony May

The latest group to catch the sye of portfolio husters is Trust & Agency of Australasia. It has received an approach which could lead to an offer from an unnamed party. The shares were suspended at 145p, valuing the group at £11.6m.

The group, is which Commercial Union has a stake of just over 32 per cent, is an investment trust but does not qualify as such under the

investment trust but does not qualify as such under the relevant Act.

Earlier this year the board, headed by Mr C. Michael Hughes, tried to win shareholders approval for a scheme of arrangement which would have turned the group into an approved investment trust with its attendant tax advantages. However, the meeting was However, the meeting was adjourned so that the terms could be reconsidered.

It seems that "certain preference stockholders" opposed the deal,

### Marshalls ahead thanks to concrete

By Ashley Druker
Dampened in 1976-77 by the
unusually wet winter, Marshalls
(Halifax) still remained on a growth tack as shown in the opening figures for the half to end-September. This Yorkshire concrete product manufacturer to specialized-engineer turns in pre-tax profits up 8 per cent to £1.07m on turnover some 20 pre-tax proms up a per cent to £1.07m on turnover some 20 per cent higher at £11.6m. But a higher tax charge of £567,000 against £492,000 holds the net at a same-again £499,000. The interim is also unchanged at

interim is also unchanged at 1.5p gross.

The concrete side went particularly well with profits up 24 per cent in spite of reduced sales opportunities, says Mr. David R. Marshall, chairman. He auributes this to the fruits of excelerations and investigations. of a consistent policy of invest-ment in new plant and manu-facturing techniques.

But profits for engineering were disappointing, and results from South Africa "poor".

#### Business appointments

### **Board changes at British** Printing Corporation

Mr Roy Hodgson has pointed the board of British Printing Cor-poration as personnel director. Mr Clive Bradley, chairman and chief executive of Sun Printers, cmer executive of Sun Printers, will assume additional responsibility as chairman of the commercial printing group. He remains executive chairman of Sun Printers, but Mr Bob Phillis has been promoted to managing director. Mr Derek Mangan, chief executive of the commercial printing group, is leaving the corporation.

Mr Lyn McNeilly is to be chief executive of United Medical Company International, the company formed by the Nationa lEnterprise Board and Allied Investments.

In a reorganization of AB Electronic Components, which has been renamed AB Electronic Products, Mr Henry Kroch has been made deputy chairman and thief executive of the parent group and executive chairman of three sur-groups. Mr Ken Brown becomes managing director of AB Electronic Components and Mr Douglas Mapplebeck managing director of AB Instrumentanon. Mr Rhys Heaven, AB's company secretary, becomes director of the United Kingdom sub-groups. Group chairman is Mr George Cantilay.

The board of Plessey Telecommunications has been reorganized as follows: Dr B. F. Willetts, chairman and chief executive; Mr M. E. Glynn, managing director, public telecommunications system; Mr J. E. Donnelly, managing director, private communications and data systems; Mr J. R. McDonald, director of overseas operations; Mr E. Clark, managing director, Plessey Controls; Mr R. G. Parerson, managing director, technical division; Mr F. J. Durham, finance director; Mr C. J. Verdon, personnel director; C. J. Verdon, personnel director; Mr N. Manners, non-executive

Lord Resonant has been elected chairman of the Association of Investment Trust Companies on the retirement of Mr D. A. Hunter Johnston.

Mr J. P. Labesse becomes chairman of Lei Vallonet Investment Trust in succession to Sir Glies Guthrie. Mr J. O. Stanley, Mr G. M. Simon and Mr D. O. Taylor have been made directors.

Mr David Mann is to join Bar-ciays Bank International as chief manager, international bond de-

Mr Alec Dainty has become managing director of the newly-formed Furnchiffe Export Services. Mr H. H. van Hilst is chairman.

### Fenner tops £8m but growth rate now likely to slow

Record figures for the fifth year running are turned in by J. H. Fenner, the Hull-based group who makes power transmission, equipment, industrial conveyor beiting, fluid seals and package handling con-

On turnover just over 17 per cent greater at £73m in the year to September 3, pre-tax profits were ahead by 20 per cent to a peak £8.4m. This is only slightly below the previous year's growth rate. This growth rate is in the background of the problems facing industry—including the rise in sterling—and the rise in interest charges from £810,000 to £1.09m while associates' profits slipped from £187,000 to £143,000.

With earnings per share up On turnover just over 17 per

to 10.15p. Working on a pre-tax basis, the year's figures show that margins, in fact, expanded from 11.25 to 11.5 per cent. from 11.25 to 11.5 per cent.

The the results are above most market expectations, the shares closed at an unchanged 124p. This is because of the outlook for the current year. The ordering by industry, both at home and overseas, of capital goods is likely to slow down. With fewar orders, Fenner would find it difficult to maintain its growth rate. The board is not making a forecast for the current year, "having regard to renewed doubts about a sustained world-wide recovery of industrial

With earnings per share up from 11.57p to 14.16p, the total gross dividend rises from 9.23p

But it does report that the year has begun quietly, with a satisfactory workload and a stable order level. The board has planued for a further from a depressed coal mining growth in turnover and profitability and believes that the group is well equipped, in both available.



Mr J. Palmer, chairman of J. H.

canufacturing facilities and staff, to achieve success. The shares are probably at their peak for the time being Last week they slipped by 2p. At their present level of 124p, they are languishing a full 18p below their 1976-77 "high" of 142p. Considering the United Kingdom economic outlook and that for the engineering sector in particular, the shares could fall several pence further.

As far as the overseas side

was concerned during the year, the board explains that the unsatisfactory conditions in the United States continued throughout the 12 months. Fenner's conveyor belting manufacturing offshoot in America lost almost £600,000. By reason of the capital structure, this loss is immediately available for tax set-off against profits in the United Kingdom. The United States company's performance was envisaged early in the year industrial and was shared with other major conveyor belting manufacturers in the United States because of a sluggish demand

## Boulton

Chairman Mr Denis Fahey reports

- Group turnover increased to over £18m.
- Exports again increased.
- Maximum permitted dividend proposed.

#### Summary of results

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Copies of the 1977 Annual Report and Accounts can be obtained from the Secretary,

The William Boulton Group Limited,

Providence House, Burslem, Stoke-on-Trent.

The **William Boulton** Group

### Stothert & Pitt Limited

The following are extracts from the circulated Statement of the Chairman, Sir Ralph Bateman, K.B.E., on the accounts for the year ended 2nd July, 1977.

Trading for the 52 weeks to 2 July 1977 has resulted in further advances for the group. Our total turnover advanced from £18,589,000 last year to £23,813,000 in 1976/77 and our exports schieved the new record figure of £14,851,000, accounting for 52% of total company turnover, compared with 47% last

Profits before taxation at £933,000, compare with £633,000 last year. We can be justly pleased with this result, which has been brought about by the effort and co-operation of employees at all levels, to all of whom the board is grateful.

After a tax charge of £492,000 (£370,000) and a credit of £96,000 (£10,000) for extraordinary items, there remains a profit after tax of £538,000 (£273,000). The greater part of the tax charge is deferred due to stock relief and capital allowances and tax actually payable (including advance corporation tax on the 1976/77 dividends) is £148.000. Your directors are recommending a final dividend

of 7.4052p per share (5.63p) making a total for the year of 9.5502p per share (8.53p) leaving £344,000 (£98,000) to transfer to reserves. This is the maximum dividend permissible under current dividend control.

Improvements in cash flow schieved during the year have resulted in a reduction of £4.3 million in our net bank borrowing at 2 July 1977, compared with the position at the end of the previous financial

#### Capital Expenditure Programme

The company is committed to a substantial investment programme designed to improve its manufacturing facilities, and this involves heavy expenditure both on new machine tools and relocation of activities. In 1976/77 we spent £670,000 on this programme. In the current financial year we expect to spend a further £1 million.

This capital expenditure programme is directed

towards reducing our operating costs and improving our overall company performance so that we are able to remain competitive, both at home and in the export markets from which so much of our business must Cranes and Deck Machinery

In the export field the creditable production performance on the Saudi Arabian dockside crane contract reported last year was maintained, with the result that all shipments to Damman and Jeddah were completed to programme. Erection is proceeding as rapidly as site conditions permit.

Manufacture of the chicklet for Damman heart

Manufacture of the shiplift for Dammam began during the year and progress is in line with our expectations.

Other activities included crane deliveries to Poland,

The development of our offshore cranes has pro-

gressed and four of the largest type were supplied for the Ninian oilfield. We are also continuously improving the scope and market penetration of our successful range of container handling spreaders.

New model development and strengthening of our distributor network are proceeding to maintain our premier position in the domestic market in readiness for the improvement in demand, which we consider inevitable, but the timing of which we cannot yet

We have pursued our policy of increasing exports, which now represent 60% of our production, and we intend to continue this export penetration over and

The home market demand for roads and other construction remains at a low elb, but during the year we have succeeded in exporting some 40% of our products for the concrete industry. Significant orders for materials handling equipment have been received for the first time from Middle East markets. To ensure continuing growth, our overseas distributor network has been widened, which will yield benefits in succeed-

We continue to expand the range of our business by seeking new export opportunities with new products against a background of reducing home demand. Agreements have just been reached with reliable companies in the USA and Japan for the marketing and manufacture of our design of screw pumps.

The company has continued its policy of communication and consultation with all employees and, where appropriate, steps are being taken to enable employees to participate in decisions which affect their working lives. It is the firm intention of Stothert & Pitt to maintain its tradition of meeting and solving problems by means of responsible discussions within proper and well-green procedural channels. well-proven procedural channels.

Export business is more and more important to Export business is more and more important to the future of the company, and such business is necessarily costly to secure, increasingly competitive, and expensive to finance. All our efforts are directed towards increased efficiency of output and securing every possible economy in costs, in order that profits may be earned at a level sufficient to ensure the future of the company and its employees and to provide an of the company and its employees and to provide an adequate return for shareholders.

The reputation of the company stands high and provided all in the company combine to tackle the problems ahead we can look for further improvement in results, not only this year but also in the succeeding years.

### FENNER ANNOUNCES RECORD RESULTS

- Turnover up by 17% to £73m
- Group pre-tax profit increased by 20%
- Earnings per share up from 11.57p to
- Capital expenditure £3.3m
- Final Dividend increased to 3.95p per

Extract from Chairman's Statement "We have planned for further growth in turnover and profitability and we are well equipped, both in manufacturing facilities and people, to achieve success."

The Fenner Group is principally concerned with the manufacture of power transmission equipment, industrial conveyor beiting, fluid seals and package handling conveyors.

Earnings per share (pence)  ** Excluding extraordinary	14,16p	11.57p	13.11p	10.82p	10.72p
Shareholders' funds	25,892 	24,184	17,564	15,338	11.330
Relained profits	1,778	1.088	1,468	1,028	1,101
Dividends to ordinary shareholders	1,453	1,301	834	745	458
Earned for ordinary shareholders	<b>‡3,071</b>	2,389	2,302	1,773	1,557
Profit after taxation	3,457	2,806	2,572	1,951	1,732
Profit before taxation	8,407	7,006	5,752	4,501	3,242
External turnover	73,009	62,235	50,774	37,940	27,268
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## Coutts & Co. announce

that their Base Rate for lending will be increased from. 6% to 71% per annum for balances in their books on and after 29th November, 1977 and until further notice.

The Deposit Rate on monies subject to seven days'. notice of withdrawal will increase from 3% to 4% per annum.

mid (day indicators)

Platinum price up Johnson Matthey announces

that with immediate effect, Rustenburg Platinum Mines minimum price for platinum is being raised to \$175.00 (£96.00) per troy ounce from \$162.00.

#### Bank Base Kates

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### Soviet grain harvest shortfall is causing red faces in the US

A keen watch is being kept on Soviet purchases after the revelation that this year's harvest in the Soviet Union is 10 per cent lower than was estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture. Mr Bob Bergoand, the United States Agriculture Secretary, predicts that the Soviet Union will buy between 20 million will buy between 20 million and 25 million tonnes of grain in the West between now and

in the West between now and next September.

It is possible that the largest part of its needs have already been covered. The news that bad weather had cut the Soviet harvest to 194 million tonness came from Mr Brezhnev, the Soviet Premier, in the midst of the Series includes all presents. the Soviet jubilee celebrations.
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Many observers believe that he would not have made such an announcement if the bulk of its purchases had not already been contracted.

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The secrecy surrounding the grain trade makes this difficult to verify. So far, only sales of a little over four million tonnes have been published. After the Sovier. "grain raid" on the United States market in 1972, when massive purchases were made secretly while the American taxpayer was financing export incentives, the Constress soviet "grain raid" on the signing of any large sales to the signing to the sig

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#### **Mexico limits** export of cocoa beans

Mexico's National Cocoa Commission says that it has so far authorized the export of only 2,000 trunes of cocoa beans in the November 1977-March 1978 article compared 1979 and 1983 period, compared to 4,893 tounes exported in the same 1976-77 period in order to en-

1976-77 period in order to ensure adequate domestic supplies.

The commission, 'Conadeca, said it estimated that the 1977-78 harvest would come to about 33,000 tonnes, similar to the level recorded in 1975-76, and well above the 24,000 tonnes harvested in 1976-77, when the crop was affected by adverse weather conditions in the Tabaco and Chiapas regions.

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And if forecasts prove correct,
more cocoa will be released for
export, including 1,000 tonnes
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Meanwhile trade sources con-firmed that the Chamber of Chocolate Industries, grouping about 40 companies, had pro-

tested against any cocoe exports at this time because of a severe domestic shortage.

The sources said that Richardson Merrill of the United States was receiving only about 40-50 per cent of the cocoa it requires, and other major companies such as Nestlé and Quaker Oats, were in the same position.

The reason for the current shortage is not entirely clear, but the trade believes it is either because official harvest

figures were inaccurate, or else because there is a heavy volume of claudestine exports.—Reuter.

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to "Soviet Union".

There are however, other indications of intense Soviet activity on the grain marker. Although the Soviet Union has strongly built up the size of its own bulk carrier fleet, it has recently chartered over 30 bulk grain carriers.

porting procedures. A 1973 law stipulates that the USDA must be notified within 24 hours of the signing of any large sales contracts.

A 300,000 tonne sale of corn to the Soviet Union, which came to light last week, illustrates the way trading houses have managed to evade this regulation. The companies competing for the Soviet business have an obvious interest in bottom prices).

keeping its size quiet until they have secured supplies from the producers. The mere rumour of a big Soviet sale can drive up prices of supplies and freight.

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The reduction in plantings, ordained by the USDA, is not likely to have much effect until the end of the season. It is known that the other grain bogey, China, will not be buy-

The 300,000 ronnes of corn was at first sold to one of the trading company's European subsidiaries and the USDA was informed that its final destination was unknown.

Only when the transaction was completed was its destination switched from "unknown" to "Soviet Union".

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out the Soviet Union's demands upon American suppliers, it placed a 6 million tonne minimum and an 8 million tonne maximum on Soviet grain purchases, which could only be exceeded with the prior authorization of the USDA. Soviet negotiators, however, have managed to raise the ceiling for this year to 15 million tonnes.

The long-term agreement also included provisions for sixmouthly inspections of the Soviet grain fields by USDA officials, with further exchange of information available upon request. It is this aspect of the agreement that is most likely to be reviewed as a result of the latest Soviet crop failure.

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In spite of the reduced profits, it is proposed to maintain the same interim dividend, namely 1.75p per ordinary and ordinary "A" share, which will be paid on the 19th January, 1078 to shareholders on the company's register at 28th December, 1977.

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#### Foreign Exchange

Foreign exchange markets only livined up yesterday after announcement of the United States trade figures for October.

Then the dollar declined against all major European currences as the market digested the announcement of a record deficit of \$3,100m last month, compared with estimates of about \$2,500m and a deficit of \$1,720m in September.

Sterling pushed up to touch \$1.8205 before easing again to \$1.8205 and a rise of 5 points on balance. The effective exchange rate index ended 0.1 up

Most Continental currencies like sterling, had opened a shade easier to the dollar Gold closed up \$3.25 an ounce in London at \$161.615.

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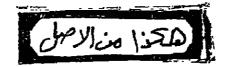
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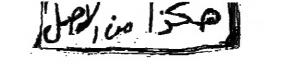
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